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## THE CITY COUNCIL RAISES NEXT YEAR'S SALARIES MAYOR VOTES "NO"

The salaries for the incoming government were fixed this morning at the meeting of the municipal council and adopted without discussion, Mayor O'Donnell, however, voting "no."

There was a total increase of \$3450 over the salaries paid last year, the number of officials getting the raise being 13.

The ordinance giving a few owners of bridges the right to a stand on Paige and Bridge streets was repealed. The meeting came to order shortly after 11 o'clock and a recess was taken from 11:20 to 12:30 p. m. A second recess was taken at 12:25 to enable the members of the council to have a conference with representatives of P. Dempsey & Co., relative to the value of land seized at Dunster street.

For the Dempsey Co. appeared George Dempsey, P. Keyes and Lawyers Hogan and Kerwin.

**The Salary Ordinance**  
Commissioner Duncan introduced the ordinance for the fixing of salaries for administrative officers for the year 1917, as follows: City clerk, \$2550; assistant city clerk, \$2000; treasurer, \$2700; auditor, \$2500; messenger, \$1400; city solicitor, \$3000; city engineer, \$2000; superintendent of streets, \$2300; superintendent of water department, \$2000; superintendent of police, \$2400; purchasing agent, \$2100; chief of fire department, \$2500; city physician, \$1200; superintendent of schools, \$800; superintendent of state aid, \$1700; superintendent of measures, \$1700; inspector of fire, \$1000; superintendent of animals, \$200; fish warden, \$100; pound keeper, \$50; members board of health, \$500; members of board of assessors, \$2250; license commission chairman, \$500; other members license board, \$250; chairmen registers of voters, \$200; other members, \$750; smoke inspector, \$300; building inspector, \$200; superintendent of charities, \$1500; and registrar of labor, \$500.

There is an increase of \$3450 over the salary total of last year, divided as follows: City clerk, increase of \$300; assistant city clerk, \$200; treasurer, \$200; auditor, \$250; messenger, \$200; city solicitor, \$500; engineer, \$200; supt. of streets, \$300; supt. of police, \$400; purchasing agent, \$150; chief of fire dept., \$300; supt. of charities, \$200; registrar of labor, \$200.

The ordinance was passed by a vote of four to one, Mayor O'Donnell alone voting "no."

**Petitions and Orders**  
Rev. John Singleton and others introduced a petition for a new bridge on Lawrence street between Spring and Boston streets, referred.

An order was introduced by the commissioner of streets and adopted for the relocation of the easterly line of Canal street and the southerly side of Lyndon street.

The New England T. and O. Co. petitioned for a new bridge on Old Meadow road north of Vermont avenue to connect the contiguous hospital and it was passed.

A communication was received from the school committee recommending the adoption of the architect's general plan for the Bartlett school, and it was placed on file.

**Dr. Bertrand Re-elected**  
Mayor O'Donnell stated that the term of Dr. Alexis Bertrand as library trustee was about to expire and suggested the appointment of his successor. Dr. Bertrand was re-elected, receiving the five votes of the council.

As a matter of record, the municipal council voted unanimously to authorize the National Engineering corporation to construct concrete wing walls with reinforced rails and posts at the new bridge.

The contract has already been made and the money appropriated.

The council accepted the agreement of Architects Stekey and Gilbert for an addition to the Bartlett school.

Commissioner Morse introduced an ordinance stipulating that the ordinance awarding automobile stands for motor vehicles for hire on Paige and Bridge streets be repealed, and it was so voted.

Commissioners Morse, Purman and Townshend voted for the repeal of the ordinance and Commissioner Duncan and Mayor O'Donnell voted against it.

**Another Conference**  
At this point a recess was taken during which the mayor and commissioners met representatives of P. Dempsey & Co. and discussed the possibility of paying an additional sum for the land and buildings seized during the taking of land for Dunster street extension. Lawyers Kerwin and John J. Hogan spoke and the views of the council were voted by Mayor O'Donnell and the commissioners.

The council was willing to pay a certain price but the company wanted a sum considerable in excess of that named. No agreement was reached.

Lawyer Tierney was present also representing Henry J. O'Leary in connection with property seized at the time of the Dunster street extension and a further conference was held at the close of the council meeting.

At 1:30 p. m. the meeting adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 a. m.

**ALLIES' REPLY TO GERMAN NOTE COMPLETED**

LONDON, Dec. 29.—As a result of the conference which have been in progress for several days the entente reply to the German note is now completed. It could go forward today on tomorrow except for the necessary formality of transmitting it to all the allies before final delivery. This means that the delivery will be made the first or middle of next week, perhaps on Wednesday.

The delivery will be made at Paris, after which the communication will be forwarded to Germany through American channels. The reply is a very long document, much more lengthy than the German note. This point has been one of the matters of discussion during the conference, the objection having been raised that it is too long and should be short and sharp.

But there were so many points for elucidation and such a complete difference of conception of the objects and purposes for which the two sides went to war that it was considered desirable to extend the note to considerable length.

The presence here of Alexander Ribot, the French finance minister, permitted the French ministry to be represented during the conference. Ribot's optimism is shown here as a result of the final form which the reply has taken, which is believed to be such that it will meet with satisfaction at Washington.

The reply to the American note will follow within a few days after the delivery of the reply to Germany.

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## TEUTONIC FORCES OPEN IMPORTANT OFFENSIVE

The opening of what may prove to be an important offensive by the Teutonic forces along the Moldavian western frontier is revealed in the current Berlin statement. Apparently it is the Austro-German purpose to break through the mountain region here and force the Russo-Rumanian lines back along the lower Carpathian barrier into inner Moldavia.

**Several Heights Captured**  
Several heights were captured in the effort, which evidently is made in conjunction with the northward thrust of the Teutonic armies from Wallachia to the east of this line, the southern flank of which is thus threatened.

**Von Mackensen's Advance**  
From Wallachia northward Field Marshal von Mackensen's advance has been pressed on the north, nearly 15 miles north of Kishinev-Barat and new progress also has been made near the

Danube where Braila, a grain and oil center, is the next important point in the line of the Teutonic progress.

**Stubborn Resistance**  
The Petrograd statement reveals that Rumanian troops are again in the field in northeastern Wallachia and the indications are that stubborn resistance is being offered to von Mackensen's thrust towards the Sereh line which runs northwest through central Moldavia from a point on the Danube just north of Braila. The Rumanians, however, have taken 1400 prisoners from the Russians, together with three cannon.

**On Verdun Front**  
Striking back at the French in the Verdun region, but on the bank of the Meuse opposite the scene of the recent French successes, the Germans made a strong effort last night to penetrate the French lines between Hill 304 and Dead Man hill, the two

dominating eminences northwest of the fortress.

**Attack Broken Up**  
According to Paris, the attack was broken up, the Germans succeeding in gaining a footing in only one trench, south of Dead Man hill.

**Break in Trench Warfare**  
The activities around Verdun have been virtually the only breaks in the monotony of winter trench warfare along the Franco-Belgian front. The battle of the Somme admittedly is in a state of suspense, because of the bad condition of the ground and unfavorable atmospheric conditions, according to British authority.

**MORE SHIPS SUNK**  
LONDON, Dec. 29.—The British steamship Coneswood, 509 tons gross, has been sunk.  
The Norwegian steamship Ida, 1300 tons is reported to have been sunk.

## OPPOSE NEW BRIDGE AT TYNGSBORO

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—The Middlesex county commissioners have filed with the general court a report in accordance with an act passed at the last session, in which they state they do not recommend the reconstruction of the Tyngsboro bridge. The recommendation is based upon a report made to the commission by J. R. Worcester, a bridge expert, in which he states that the bridge is in excellent condition, that there is absolutely no evidence of deterioration during the last eight years or since the last examination was made, that the bridge is perfectly safe if the present limits of loading are maintained. These limits are a load of ten tons on four wheels or an average uniformly distributed load of 60 pounds to a square foot of roadway surface.

The commissioners say the principal complaint against the bridge has come from people living in Tyngsboro, who contend that the lack of sidewalk makes the bridge dangerous for pedestrians. As a result of this complaint the commissioners have prepared plans showing that a sidewalk six feet wide may be attached to one side of the bridge at a probable cost of not more than \$2000. Estimates for new steel arch bridge, total \$102,500 and for a concrete arch bridge \$105,000.

In view of these figures the commissioners believe that a new bridge is not required at the present time.

**Stock Market Notes**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The final session of the year of the stock exchange began with further pressure against the purely speculative issues, moderating, however, as the day advanced. Fractional gains were made by Central Leather, Atlantic Gulf & West Indies and Inspiration Copper, with 1-16 points for Texas Co.

It required but little buying to restore prices to yesterday's final quotations. Steel, copper and some of the purely speculative issues moderating. Texas Co. increased its lead to 6-16 points and other oils made moderate response. Bethlehem Steel rose 20 points and the lower priced securities and equipments also advanced. Trading became very dull on the rally until selling of the motors provoked further heaviness. Studebaker broke 12-8 points with 2 to 3 for Willys-Overland, Chandler, General Motors and Saxon. Rails were both active and irregular. Bonds were firm.

Bedding declined to slender proportions in the early afternoon, with some easing of pressure against equipments and other specialties, but the undertone remained irregular.

**Cotton Futures**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Cotton futures opened steady, January, 17-1/2; March, 17-3/4; May, 17-1/2; July, 17-1/4; October, 16-3/4.

**Quarterly Dividend**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The Wabash Railway Co. declared an initial quarterly dividend of 1 per cent. on its preferred A stock.

**Boston Market**  
BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Free-holiday dullness prevailed in the copper shares today. Fluctuations were fractional and irregular. Osceola and Tamarack advancing while most of the list was lower.

**Exchange**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Exchange, \$602,681,000; balances, \$41,712,000.  
For closing prices of all active stocks see next edition.  
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## MORE NEUTRALS SUPPORT WILSON'S PEACE NOTE

LONDON, Dec. 29, 12:45 p. m.—The Scandinavian governments have sent a joint note to belligerents supporting the peace note of President Wilson.

A Renter despatch from Copenhagen says the Danish, Swedish and Norwegian governments have instructed their delegations to address to the governments of the belligerent countries notes in which the Scandinavian governments, adhering to the note of President Wilson, express their sincere wish for facilitating a durable peace, declaring they would consider themselves as failing in their duty toward their respective peoples and toward humanity as a whole if they did not express their most profound sympathy with every effort which may contribute toward putting an end to the suffering and losses, moral and material, which are ever growing in consequence of the war.

The three governments in conclusion cheerfully hope that the initiative taken by President Wilson will lead to a result worthy of the generous spirit which prompted this action.

**TURKEY REPLIES TO NOTE**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Turkey's reply to President Wilson's peace note was received today at the state department. It substantially is the same as Germany's and America's.

**EXPLAINS SWISS NOTE**  
BERNE, via Paris, Dec. 29.—President Switzerland of Switzerland has explained the part played by his country in the recent steps in favor of peace in an interview with F. J. Qualier, editor of the Rosta del Carlino. President Schulthess is quoted as saying:

"Switzerland had nothing whatever to do with President Wilson's note. The federal council got into communication with the American government in order to learn if the latter intended to do anything in favor of peace, and simply received a copy of the note at the same time as the belligerents. The council has decided to support the note inspired by an ardent desire to see a termination rapidly put to the suffering caused by this terrible war of which the Swiss people has daily evidence in the shape of interned invalids and civilians from places ordered evacuated."

"I do not know what will be the fate of the neutral proposals, and in any case Switzerland has no intention of interfering with the affairs of the belligerents. But she considers it her duty to make known to them that she is ready to help to exchange views in the event of its seeming desirable."

The president said that he was astonished at the number of texts of the violation of Swiss neutrality.

"I cannot conceive," he said, "that any of the belligerents harbor the idea of passing through our country. It would not be to their advantage. In addition to the great difficulties of terrain they would be confronted with the vigorous resistance of the Swiss."

army and the whole people. A country knows only one form of neutrality—absolute neutrality. Let there be no mistake. In the presence of external danger, no matter from what side it comes, Switzerland will be united notwithstanding differences in race and language."

**PRIZE FOR PEACE**  
LONDON, Dec. 29.—A Renter despatch from Copenhagen says the Danish social democrats have called President Wilson expressing their sympathy with his action in addressing the belligerent powers. The despatch also expresses the sincere wish that the president's efforts to end the war and establish a lasting peace may succeed.

**FULL RESOURCES FOR WAR**  
PARIS, Dec. 29.—A resolution has been adopted by the socialist congress calling upon the government to pursue a more vigorous policy both in military and in economic actions, so that the full resources of the country may be brought into play, and the war terminated more speedily.

The resolution is predicated on the assertion that the replies of the central powers to President Wilson's note leave no doubt that the offer of peace negotiations was a snare.

Deputies who met German and other foreign socialist delegates at the conference in Switzerland supported a motion in favor of resumption of international relations among socialists. This proposal was defeated by a small majority, after a long and heated discussion.

**VATICAN ORGAN DENIES REPORT**  
ROME, Dec. 29.—The official organ of the Vatican, prints today an official denial of reports published abroad to the effect that the papal nuncio at Vienna informed the Vienna press that the Austrian emperor had requested him to ask Pope Benedict's intervention for peace and that the pope had given a favorable reply.

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## HEARD SMALL SAY TO WIFE "IF YOU OPEN YOUR MOUTH I'LL KILL YOU"

OSSEPEE, N. H., Dec. 29.—Efforts of Frederick L. Small, who is on trial here for the murder of his wife, Mrs. Florence Small, at their home in Mountainview three months ago, to obtain an insurance policy for \$2,000 covering the lives of both, was the subject of the first testimony at today's session.

Winfield S. Chase, formerly an insurance agent, told of a telephone call from Small and a subsequent talk with him regarding such a policy which Small said he wished to take on the lives of himself and his wife. Chase said he had never handled life insurance and did not write the policy. He had previously arranged for \$3000 fire insurance on the Small home and its contents, he said.

Charles E. Merrill of Manchester, general agent for the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., said that a \$20,000 joint policy on the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Small had been issued by his company. The policy was not issued on a joint application, he testified, because Small had signed for his wife as well as for himself, claiming that he had a right to do so. A second application was requested and was signed by Mrs. Small. On March 15 Small paid the first annual premium of \$18.75.

The policy, Merrill testified, was payable to the survivor, or if both should die, to Small's nephew, Nathaniel N. Mitchell.

On cross-examination William S. Matthews, counsel for the defense, asked Merrill a close examination of Small's character and financial standing was made by the company. The witness did not know, Mrs. Small was in the next room when the policy was discussed and took no part in the conversation, he stated.

**Boston Officer Testifies**  
Testimony to the effect that Small

in a Boston court room, said to his wife, "If you open your mouth I'll kill you," was given by Andrew Houghton, formerly a Boston police inspector. This was during the trial of a suit brought by Small against a Boston newspaper in 1914.

Charles Seckel, a village grocer, testified that on Sept. 28, the day of Mrs. Small's death, he delivered groceries and five gallons of kerosene which he emptied into a can. This, he said, was about 11 o'clock in the morning, at which time he saw Mrs. Small.

George Kennett, a hotel clerk, told of driving Small from his cottage to the railroad station at Mountainview on the afternoon of Sept. 28. He arrived at the cottage ahead of time and found Small waiting for him outside with a suit case.

**Said "Good Bye"**  
Kennett testified that he gave some mail to Small, who entered the cottage. As he came out the witness heard him say "Good bye," although he saw no one else there. He also said he later heard Small ask Edwin C. Conner to accompany him to Boston that day.

**Insurance Agent Called**  
Edwin C. Conner, a local school teacher and insurance agent, who was with Small in Boston when the latter was notified of the burning of his cottage, was the next witness for the prosecution. He was questioned regarding the \$20,000 life insurance policy, which was first mentioned, he said, when he visited Small in response to a telephone call. Asked about having been invited by Small to make the trip to Boston, the witness said the original plan was to go to Manchester and Boston the first week in October.

## BOND ISSUE TO MEET U. S. TREASURY DEFICIT

PRES. WILSON AND LEADERS IN CONGRESS REACH AGREEMENT—\$150,000,000 DEFICIT  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—President Wilson has tentatively agreed with administration leaders in congress on a bond issue to meet part of the treasury deficit which confronts the government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917, estimated at about \$150,000,000. With Secretary McAdoo the president is working on other plans for raising additional revenue.

The president has pointed out that he believes a bond issue should be used only to meet temporary and emergency expenditures. Many of these have been caused by the Mexican situation.

The treasury already has authority by previous acts of congress to issue financing bonds and about \$200,000,000 of these are available. They would bear 3 per cent.

Plans for raising the other revenue are understood to concern the income tax, an inheritance tax and special taxes on internal revenue and imports.

**GUITY IN WILD HORSE CASE**  
OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 29.—The jury in the case of 11 defendants charged with use of the mails to defraud in sales of wild horses in Coccinotte county, Ariz., yesterday returned a verdict of guilty against eight defendants and found two not guilty. One defendant was dismissed.

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## TELLS LAWSON "TO PUT UP OR SHUT UP"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The controversy which has followed Congressmen Wood's resolution for investigation of whether any member of President Wilson's official family profited in the stock market because of "inside information" on the president's private notes, was not into semi-official form today when Chairman Henry of the house rules committee telegraphed Thomas W. Lawson of Boston to come to Washington and substantiate his allegations.

Mr. Henry announced that he would introduce his bill next Tuesday to regulate the New York stock exchange.

"If Mr. Lawson states the truth about Wall street and an alleged 'look' he said, 'it conclusively shows that the bill introduced by me in the last congress to regulate the New York stock exchange should be speedily passed and should even be made more drastic.'"

"This short session should find a way to protect the American people against such crimes as the one just perpetrated by Wall street, if Mr. Lawson is anywhere near the truth."

## SIX I. W. W. MEMBERS UNDER ARREST

VIRGINIA, Mass., Dec. 29.—Six industrial workers of the World are under arrest here today for alleged illegal activity in connection with the picketing of the mills of the Virginia and Lake Lumber Co., at which a strike was declared yesterday to enforce a demand for better wages and a promise from the company not to discriminate against the members of the I. W. W.

## MAY INDICT FOOD AND FUEL SPECULATORS

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Whether indictments are to be sought against food and fuel speculators was expected to be determined at a meeting of thirteen United States district attorneys from Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Massachusetts and Rhode Island here today. The attorneys plan to compare the results of their several investigations into the rise in the price of food and fuel.

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## "THE WORLD'S MOST NEW YEAR'S DAY IN HEALTHFUL TOWN"

FRAMINGHAM CENTER OF TUBERCULOSIS STUDY—ALL ASKED TO AID

FRAMINGHAM, Dec. 29.—The annual outline of a scheme to make this town "the world's most healthful town" was made known yesterday when Dr. Frank B. Armstrong, the tuberculosis expert chosen by the American Lung Association to make a three weeks' study of tuberculosis, its prevention and cure, in Framingham, gave out a copy of the program to be followed.

The Armstrong plan, established headquarters in the local health office and will be carried on in his work by a local committee. The plan includes a number of investigations of sanitary conditions of the town's factories and schools, business offices and store surroundings, and conditions in the most populated communities. A series of lectures and clinics on tuberculosis by leading experts in the country is planned.

An educational campaign will be carried on in the schools and factories and other large establishments. Through medical examinations, a number of the town's residents will be brought into co-operation with the investigation, and they may, in their own physicians or to the dispensary for this purpose. The examination is for the purpose of detecting the disease in its beginning, so that the patient may be treated by the most effective medical treatment to the fullest extent, so as to wholly stop the tuberculosis in at least one community in the country.

Hospital care, in state or county institutions, will be recommended and provided for in the town's health office. Possibly an old school building in a rural section may be used for certain types of cases until the county's hospital, now being planned, can be completed.

To make the demonstration a success, co-operation of the town's physicians in detecting and reporting on tuberculosis cases and in the making of thorough medical examinations is sought.

The town is asked to do its share by maintaining a health office with a full-time health officer, public health laboratory, factory dispensary, and with a full-time nurse, public health inspection, with a full-time school nurse and if possible, a full-time school physician; an infant welfare clinic and at least a part-time infant nurse; a district visiting nurse; and a district nurse and possibly a district nurse in the schools. It is expected the next town meeting will provide for co-operating with Dr. Armstrong.

The investigation is expected to result in the complete elimination of tuberculosis in this town and the establishment of a uniform method of treating the disease at lowest cost for other communities to follow.

Framingham is selected as the center of demonstration and study, not because there is relatively more tuberculosis here, but because of its unique suitability, both as to convenience and climate.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The election of officers of the Mass. Branch of the American Lung Association, held last evening, resulted as follows: President, Charles W. Moore; vice president, Clifford Grant; secretary, Charles Howard; treasurer, Thomas England; chairman, Guy M. Knicker; chairman of papers, Dr. N. Kimball; members, Dr. J. W. Brown, Fred Erickson, Albert Catherwood and Henry Bell; social committee, Guy M. Knicker, Clifford Grant and Charles Howard; entertainment committee, Rev. John Singleton, George Brown and David Manning; nominating committee, Charles W. Moore, Fred Erickson and Charles Howard; press committee, Rev. Mr. Singleton.

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## CATHOLIC CHURCHES

New Year's day will be observed in a fitting manner in the Catholic churches next Monday, not because it is a legal holiday, but because it is the feast of the Circumcision and a holy day of obligation.

At 10 o'clock the Mass will be celebrated in the churches of the city. The Mass will be celebrated in the churches of the city. The Mass will be celebrated in the churches of the city.

**Immaculate Conception.** .....  
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**Sacred Heart.** .....  
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# SAYS SUBMARINE SHELLED OPEN BOATS

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The admiralty has given to the Associated Press the following statement concerning the sinking of the British steamer Westminster, which was reported lost on Dec. 18:

"The degree of savagery the Germans have attained in their submarine policy appears to have reached a climax in the sinking of the Westminster, which was proceeding from Torbay to Amunite to Port Said in ballast."

"On Dec. 14, when 180 miles from the nearest land, the Westminster was attacked by a German submarine with out warning and was struck by two torpedoes in quick succession, which killed four men. The Westminster sank in four minutes."

"This ruthless disregard for the rules of international law was followed by a deliberate attempt to murder the survivors."

"The officers and crew while effecting their escape in boats were shelled by the submarine at a range of 300 yards."

"The master and chief engineer were killed outright. Their boat was sunk. The second and third engineers were not picked up; it is presumed they were drowned."

"The captain of the submarine must have satisfied himself of the effectiveness of his two torpedoes, yet he proceeded to carry out in cold blood an act of murder which could not possibly be justified by any urgency of war and can only be regarded in the eyes of the world as a further proof of the degradation of German honor and morale."

MAKING AND REMAKING  
OF A FIGHTING MAN

ADDRESS AT MEETING OF COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSO. BY PROF. MCKENZIE

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—In an interesting address on "The Making and Remaking of a Fighting Man" delivered at the annual meeting of the National College Athletic Association here yesterday, R. Tait McKenzie, professor of physical education at the University of Pennsylvania and late Major R.A.M.C., England, said, in part:

"You do not need a watch to tell when it is 3 o'clock at the headmaster's gymnasium at Aldershot. For 15 minutes or more groups of men in black trousers and jerseys, or officers in tennis kit, have been accumulating, and at 3 o'clock precisely a shrill whistle pierces them in the position of attention. There is a dead silence, the sharp command 'Fall in' is succeeded by a scramble out of which emerge 20 classes of officers and men, each in proportion of about 4 to 1."

monthly arranged on the floor, each with a staff instructor in charge. At the command 'Staff fall in' each instructor doubles to where the sergeant-major stands, and there they stand at attention to receive the day's orders. These given, they make a right turn, rise on the toes and secure off to their respective classes. Another sentence and the sharp command 'Carry on' is followed by a babel of orders as the various groups march out of the four doors to selected places in the twenty-acre grounds that surrounded the gymnasium. For the next hour and a half the class is put through the table of exercises for the day, each exercise detailed, repeated and corrected until officer and men have the proper speed and accuracy for which they strive."

"At 10.30 the whistle breaks the classes up into groups for a brief receding is gone through again, but this time the men are paired off. No. 2 and back again from 2 to 1, under the fire of the instructor's criticism. Again a short rest, and the bayonet and rifle exercises are explained, shown and demonstrated. There is an interval for lunch and at 2.15 the classes reassemble, and now they are marched out, combined into one mass drill of exercises, and from the right table of the British gymnastic law. After this display the mass breaks up into its component classes, and the detailing of exercises, bayonet fighting and gymnastic games fills the time until 4 o'clock when the day's work is over. Every month a new class replaces the one who have come out into the great training camps."

"When the war broke out in August, 1914, the staff of gymnastic instructors, up to the inspector himself, dissolved overnight and rejoined their respective units for ten years. This department had no head. The new inspector was confronted by an urgent demand for instructors, with none to send, but he at once re-enlisted men who had gone into civil life (teachers in board and private schools) in fact anyone who had had training in the army."

"The new recruits, however, their numbers were augmented in another way. Familiar faces reappeared (men from the trenches) one with a bullet through his shoulder blade, another with part of his foot gone from shrapnel, and so on. These men, though not fit for active service, but their experience as teachers was invaluable."

"The new armies had tapped every stratum of English society: the ill-disciplined lordling, whose whim was his only law; the striding justicer of the peace; and the college doctors, schoolmasters, clerks (from a sedentary life); ironworkers, navvies, laborers (slow of action and speech); all had to be welded into a homogeneous body, quick and alert of action, sure of eye and hand, and above all capable of the most strenuous physical exertion."

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## SMALL DOCKET IN LOCAL POLICE COURT TODAY

A \$50 fine was imposed by Judge Pickman in police court this morning in the case of Charles Burgess, a Dea-

driving milkman, who pleaded guilty to having in his possession milk to which water had been added. Milk Inspector

Alvin Hunter told the court that of eight samples taken from Burgess' wagon by Officer Connelley, two showed signs of having been thinned with water, amounting to about 10 per cent. The others were all right. Mr.

Master said that an investigation led him to believe that the watering was not done by Burgess. He said the defendant bought several cans of milk from another dealer the day the samples were taken and it was believed that these were mixed with water.

Harold Cairns received a suspended sentence after having been found guilty of larceny of meat from a store in which he was employed.

Jeremiah Jordan was arrested on a charge for failing to pay a fine imposed for operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor. He was given three more weeks to make good.

Florence J. O'Neill was sent to the state farm for vagrancy at his own request. Thomas J. Roddy, drunkard, was committed to three months in jail.

## BULL MOOSE PARTY DEAD IN NEW YORK STATE

LOSES OFFICIAL RECOGNITION AS  
RESULT OF FAILURE TO POLL  
NECESSARY VOTES

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Owing to the failure of the progressives in New York state to poll the necessary votes in the recent election to entitle their ticket to a place on the ballot, the party lost official recognition in this state and the doors of the progressive headquarters here—state and national, have been closed.

NEW MOOSE PARTY  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Anti-Roosevelt and anti-Perkins Bull Moose party to try to reorganize the progressive party at St. Louis, Washington's birthday.

It is proposed to reorganize national and state organizations upon the same basis and the same platform that prevailed when the party was originally formed in 1912.

The preliminary program will be formulated at a New York City conference within a few days. Former National Chairman Victor Muebeck, Acting National Chairman Matthew Hale, former Vice Presidential Nominee John S. Parker and others who helped Hughes will participate.

LABOR UNIONS  
The members of Local 29, Painters, Decorators and Paper Hangers union, held their regular meeting in Runkel building last evening and a feature of the meeting was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: President, Bernard C. O'Neil; vice president, Mayne E. Gray; recording secretary, Roy Hutchins; financial secretary, N. L. Gordon; treasurer, Joseph A. Higgins; and trustees, George E. Field, Arthur Stockley and Charles E. Hill. Walter E. Bryant, Arthur Manning and Cornelius Collins were chosen delegates to the Trades and Labor Council, and Arthur Stockley, Thomas Major and N. L. Gordon were elected delegates to the state convention. Business Agent John H. Murphy was endorsed and was elected for another term. A rising vote of thanks was extended him for his splendid work of the past year.

John Golden, president of the United Textile Workers of America, who spent a few days in this city in an endeavor to settle certain labor grievances existing in local mills, left the city last evening and will return to Lowell next week.

Routine meetings were held last evening by the Women Spinners and the Women Fixers' unions.

POSTMASTER GENERAL OF  
CANADA DEAD

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 29.—Thomas Chase Gresham, parliamentarian here today, died of a heart ailment at his home. He was born in Detroit in 1852. For many years he was one of the Dominion's leading lawyers.

As attorney general of the Province of Quebec from 1891 to 1895, Mr. Gresham introduced many important reforms, including legislation for the prevention of corrupt practices in elections, an enactment which was declared to be the most advanced of its character ever adopted in Canada. In 1900 he was appointed as a representative to the late King Edward in London in 1905. He opposed the Taff-Bell railway company in 1911. Mr. Gresham was appointed to the federal cabinet in 1915.

THE JUVENILE COURT  
There was so much business to be transacted at the weekly session of the juvenile court this morning that Judge Enright remained on the bench nearly all forenoon and called upon Associate Justice Pickman for the regular court. Most of the cases were for minor offenses.

One boy was given a hearing on a complaint of assault with a dangerous weapon. There was no evidence, however, that the lad committed the offense and his case was continued. The assault occurred a few weeks ago in a street. It seems that a number of boys were in an attic of a house with an air shaft. They had plenty of shot and hence they amused themselves by shooting at the birds which happened to drive by the window. A boy happened to drive by in a team and whether the boys took the vehicle for a target or shot what is not known, but one of the shot

penetrated the woman's cheek and caused a cut that required a few stitches. The boy in court today denied that he shot the bird.

Harry Loran, a juvenile, was committed to the reform school last week for being found guilty of receiving a stolen watch and given an opportunity to leave Canada. He refused to take advantage of this, however, and he was held before the court again today.

PROF. YOUNG ELECTED  
COLUMBIANS, O., Dec. 29.—Prof. A. Young of Cornell University, was elected president of the American Statistical Association today.

TWO OFFICIALS ASSAULTED  
ELIZABETH, N. J., Dec. 29.—John W. Carver and William C. Foster, state penitentiary of the same three United States army privates, were found dead yesterday awaiting trial for desertion at Fort Monmouth, N. J. The officials had come here yesterday and made their escape to take back John Walker, a negro, accused of murder. The police convinced their deaths were accidental.

MORE GOLD FROM CANADA  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—An additional \$5,000,000 worth of gold, brought to this country by way of Canada, has been deposited at the Philadelphia mint to the account of J. P. Morgan & Co., it was announced here today.

THE MAMM ESTATE  
LONDON, Dec. 28. Sir Hiram Maxim, the inventor, who died recently, left an estate of 37,000 pounds.

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## ROAST BEEF Top Ribs 15c

In selling beef we have no competitors when high quality is considered. This special would easily bring from 18c to 22c a pound in any other market in New England.

BEEF	BEEF	BEEF	BEEF
FANCY CHUCK ROAST Lb. ....	11c	BOSTON BONELESS ROLLS Lb. ....	15c
SIRLOIN TIPS, 22c Value Lb. ....	16c	FANCY FOR POT ROAST Lb. ....	10c

## GENUINE LAMB

Fancy Cotton Tail Rabbits, 20c

LEGS, lb. .... 20c

CHOPS, lb. .... 23c

FORES, lb. .... 15c

Leg o' Mutton, lb. ....	FRESH CUT Hamburg Steak Only 10c Lb. ....	Yearling Legs, lb. ....
Heavy Southdown		13c
FRESH BEEF HEARTS, lb. ....	10c	FRESH SLICED LIVER, lb. ....
		6c

## SHOULDERS

Corned, Mild Cured, .... 15c

Smoked, Sugar Cured, ....

Fresh and Lean, ....

Or Sweet Pickled, lb. ....

"Armour's Shield" Small Hams, lb. .... 19c Small Fresh Hams, lb. .... 18c

Fresh Killed Vermont	Fresh Killed Native	Fresh Killed Native	Fancy Roasting
TURKEYS	Chickens	FOWL	CHICKEN
From 28c to 35c Lb. ....	From 22c to 27c Lb. ....	From 22c to 25c Lb. ....	Lb. 20c
RHODE ISLAND GEESE, lb. ....	23c	MARYLAND DUCKS, lb. ....	15c to 18c

Pork	Native, lb. .... 13c to 18c	Loins, lb. .... 16c	Fresh Head, lb. .... 11c	Leaf Lard, lb. .... 19c	Veal	Small Legs, lb. 12c to 16c	Fancy Loins, lb. .... 15c	Forequarters, lb. .... 12c	Steak, lb. .... 18c
ROUND STEAK, lb. ....	17c	TENDERLOIN STEAK, lb. ....	27c						

Pears	BIG CANNED GOODS SPECIAL	Peaches
12c Large Can Tomatoes	25c	15c Value, Large Can. .... 10c
10c Can Sugar Corn		
10c Can String Beans		
In Syrup, Large Can. .... 10c		
32c value—All 3 cans		

Van Camp's Soups, .... 3 cans 25c Campbell's Tomato Soup, .... 3 cans 25c

SALMON	Pure Lard	Home Rendered, Pound, ....	SARDINES
Alaska, Pink, can. .... 10c		19c	In Oil, can. .... 31c

FRUIT	VEGETABLES	CANDIES, ETC.	DELICATESSEN
Jonathan Apples, doz. .... 25c	Celery, bunch .... 10c	Sugar Wafers, lb. .... 20c	Heard Cheese, lb. 12 1/2c
Grapefruit, each .... 5c	Green Beans, 3 lbs. .... 10c	Egg Biscuits, lb. .... 10c	Frankfurts, lb. .... 14c
Malaga Grapes, lb. .... 15c	Green Kales, pk. .... 15c	Pretzels, lb. .... 10c	Pork Sausage, lb. .... 14c
Lemons, doz. .... 10c	Cabbage, hard lbs. .... 1c	Pound Cake, lb. .... 20c	Hot Pudding, lb. 11c
Sweet Oranges, doz. .... 10c	Yellow Turnips, lb. .... 2c	Mixed Candy, lb. .... 10c	Tomato Sausage, lb. 15c
Peanuts, doz. .... 20c	Cauliflower, qt. .... 10c	Chocolate, lb. .... 12c	Liverwurst, lb. 15c
Dates, pk. .... 10c	Sweet Potatoes, 6 lbs. .... 25c	Mixed Cookies, lb. .... 10c	Hot Sausage, lb. 12 1/2c
	Babuth Apples, pk. 15c	Walnuts, lb. .... 15c	Sauer Kraut, lb. .... 5c

BUTTER	Fancy Table Quality, Lb. ....	EGGS	Carefully Selected, Dozen Box. ....
	37c		35c

## Seedless Navel Oranges

The large size, 100 count to the box; regular 45c trade, doz. 30c

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### CORSETS

1 Lot La Grecque Corsets in flesh color brocade, handsomely trimmed with lace and ribbon; \$3.00 value, only .... \$1.89

1 Lot \$3.00 Corsets, odd sizes, only .... \$1.69

1 Lot \$1.00 Brassieres, odd sizes, only .... 25c

### HANDKERCHIEFS

Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs, all linen, only .... 10c Each

Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c, only .... 19c Each

### APRONS

1 Lot Tea Aprons, fancy colors, lace trimmed, only .... 19c

1 Lot White Tea Aprons, only, 19c

1 Lot Assorted 50c Aprons, only 38c



All are new Fall patterns, in imported madras, percale, Russian cord, rep, seersucker, pongee and fibre and tub silks.





BASEMENT	TO 2000' GROUND, AT	\$5.75 Each
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# REVIEW OF EVENTS DURING YEAR THAT IS CLOSING

## Principal Local Happenings Recorded in News of the Day—Dates That Will be Useful for Future Reference

Following is a list of the principal local happenings during the past year with the exception of the deaths of prominent people, and fire losses which are given elsewhere:

- January.**
- 2—Feast of Holy Name observed in Catholic churches.
  - 3—Inauguration day—Mayor James E. O'Donnell and Commissioners Chas. J. Morse and James E. Donnelly inducted into office.
  - 4—Municipal council assigns members to different departments. School board organizes—Dr. John H. Lambert elected chairman. Mayor O'Donnell shifts Philip D. Murphy from liquor squad to night route in Centralville. Annual police ball. Mayor O'Donnell addresses police officers.
  - 5—Mayor O'Donnell shifts Thomas Hession from liquor squad to night route in Centralville.
  - 6—"Prosperity Night" banquet under auspices of board of trade.
  - 13—Arthur G. Pollard appointed member of board of trustees of Massachusetts Agricultural college. Greek Christmas observed. Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Keyes observe 50th wedding anniversary. Hearing on new high school held at city hall.
  - 16—Annual meeting of Lowell Guild.
  - 17—Reunion of St. Margaret's parish.
  - 18—Rev. John A. Degan of St. Columba's church succeeded by Rev. P. Hally.
  - 19—Coldest day of the winter. Shooting affray in Cummings's alley.
  - 19—John T. and Herbert C. Locke sentenced to two years in house of correction for larceny. Joseph Teller fatally injured in Suffolk street.
  - 19—Buildings in Kirk street on high school site sold at auction.
  - 22—Famously M. McKnight struck by train in Waverest.
  - 23—70th anniversary of High Street church.
  - 24—Mrs. Anthony Lewis fatally burned in Watson avenue. Died Feb. 7.
  - 25—Choral society presents Handel's "Messiah."
  - 27—Mayor O'Donnell abolishes position of police messenger.
  - 28—Patrolmen James R. Holland and Alfred Cooney appointed to liquor squad.

**February.**

    - 1—City laborers voted increase of 25 cents per day. Attempt to remove city solicitor J. Joseph Hennessy defeated. 25th anniversary of Matthew Temperance Institute observed.
    - 3—City solicitor J. Joseph Hennessy ousted and Harold A. Varnum elected to succeed him. Annual banquet of Lowell Typographical union.
    - 8—Rose N. Mollen found dead in bed.
    - 10—Ella Faulcon burned to death in North Billerica.
    - 11—Mrs. Camille Roussin found dead in bed.
    - 14—Charles Daly found frozen in Middlesex company's yard.
    - 17—Rev. South Baker, D.D., observed 80th anniversary of birth.
    - 19—Margaret McAleer, three years, fatally burned.
    - 22—Knights of Columbus held "Farewell Banquet" in Anne street headquarters.
    - 25—Reunion of St. Columba's parish.
    - 25—Annual ball of girls' high school.
    - 29—Municipal council completes work on department estimates. Chester Martel wins title of champion candle pin bowler of New England. Reunion of St. Michael's parish.

**March.**

      - 1—Albert J. Roper murdered in Tewksbury. Reunion of St. Peter's parish.
      - 2—Albert J. Roper arraigned, charged with murdering his father. Annual reunion of St. Mary's parish. Collinsville.
      - 5—Shooting affray in Elm street.
      - 9—Board of trade annual dinner.
      - 14—Lowell evening high school graduation exercises.
      - 15—Patrolmen and firemen hold banquet.
      - 17—Dudley L. Page, 50 years a candy maker. Albert J. Roper indicted for murder. St. Patrick's day observed in Catholic churches.
      - 18—Wisconsin chapter arrested.
      - 20—John J. Pinder given hearing.
      - 25—John P. Connor purchases interest in Lowell baseball team.
      - 29—Patrick J. Sullivan killed at Waverest, crossing.
      - 31—Lowell day observed in public schools. Three new pieces of motor fire apparatus arrive.

**April.**

        - 2—Edward P. O'Toole, four years, drowned in Concord river.
        - 5—Ella M. Mills, 61 years, burned to death.
        - 6—Gustav S. Ekdemon, of this city, committed suicide at Concord farm.
        - 6—George Hanson attempts to kill his wife in South Lowell. Flower at Colonial hall.
        - 7—Police stop boxing bout at Mayhouse and make several arrests.
        - 9—Incendiary fire in Webster mansion.
        - 9—Liver nearly drowned in Concord river.
        - 11—Elks' banquet and installation of officers. Home club reunion.
        - 12—Lowell Textile Evening school graduating exercises.
        - 13—Mayor O'Donnell receives "Black Hand" letter.
        - 15—Mayor O'Donnell finds against John J. Pinder.
        - 17—Stef. Adelska, two years, scalded to death.
        - 21—Neomish property. Merrimack and John streets, sold to George W. Marley.
        - 24—Easter observed in local churches.
        - 24—License commission grants liquor licenses. 50th anniversary of Kilmahilly lodge, A.E.W.A.M. Mathews Temperance Institute Easter Monday party.
        - 25—Presidential primaries. William W. Bennett elected principle of Morey school.
        - 26—George H. Taylor appointed member of cemetery commission. Record of trade banquet. Black and White ball.
        - 28—Yeggs blow safe in office of Al. Holt Worsted Co. in Forge Village. Eastern Baseball league opens season.

**May.**

          - 1—Frederick Fanning Ayer purchases new home for the Day Nursery. Robert F. Marden succeeds Henry F. Carr as park commissioner. C.M.A.C. building free from debt.
          - 2—Annual banquet of Y.M.C.A. Annual banquet of Y.M.C.A.
          - 3—Hon. George P. Putnam elected license commissioner. Annual banquet of Lowell Grocers and Butchers' association.
          - 4—John L. Robertson re-elected chairman of the cemetery board.
          - 8—Rev. John P. Flynn, O.M.I., appointed pastor of the Sacred Heart church. Thomas E. Mather re-elected chairman of park commission.
          - 9—John D. Stewart killed by train in Middlesex Village.
          - 14—Pinder hearing before Judge E. Knight. Opening of baseball season in Lowell.
          - 12—Businessmen's battalion organized.
          - 15—Irish indignation mass meeting.
          - 16—Bombing den in Third street raided—23 arrests made.
          - 18—Body of Mary Ellen Donnelly, 31, found floating in Suffolk canal.
          - 19—Martin Delmore electrocuted on pole at Waverest.
          - 20—Engineer Rice locates leak in gas meters at boulevard plant. Y.W.C.A. picnic.
          - 21—Margaret V. Twomey, 27, of Billerica, killed by automobile.
          - 24—Capt. George E. Worden 15 years.
          - 25—Public memorial services at First Congregational church.

### UNION MARKET

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Monday, New Year's Day, brings a legal holiday—Our store will not be open for business. In anticipation of an immense demand for TURKEYS, GEESE, DUCKS and FOWL for the holiday dinner, we have a very tempting stock for you to select from.

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Try to come to the store and do your own selecting. An immense stock to select from. Positively the lowest prices. Without a doubt the best grade of goods.

<b>TURKEYS</b> .....30c	<b>CRANBERRIES</b> .....8c qt.
<b>GEESE</b> .....25c	<b>APPLES</b> .....15c pk.
<b>DUCKS</b> .....20c	<b>CELERY</b> .....15c
<b>CHICKENS AND FOWL</b> .....25c	<b>LETTUCE</b> .....5c

**FRESH PORK**

A Ton of Country Hogs

Fresh Heads.....8c	Fresh Livers.....5c
Pork Butts.....15c	Loins of Fancy Pork to Roast.....16c
Fresh Shoulders.....15c	Pork Chops.....15c
Pork Cuts to roast.....15c	Fresh Heads.....8c

**LAMB AND VEAL—VERY FANCY**

Small Legs of Veal.....16 1/2c	Lamb Chops.....15c
Loins of Veal, cut short.....15c	Veal Chops.....18c
Small Legs and Loins Yearling.....12 1/2c	Veal Fores.....12c
Forequarters.....10c	

**BEEF**

Chuck Roasts.....10c	Rolls, solid meat.....15c
Round Steak.....15c	Steed Bacon.....18c
Sirloin Roasts.....15c	Steed Ham.....20c
Sirloin Steak.....10c	Corried Beef, rib in.....10c
See Our Corned Beef, Sweet Pickled Meats and Salt Garded Counter—it has to be seen to be appreciated.	Thick Ribs.....12 1/2c
	Salt Feet.....5c

**HAMS—SHOULDERS—BACON**

Whole Hams.....10c	Smoked Shoulders.....14c
Boiled Hams.....26c	Bacon Strips.....18c

**GROCERIES**

Canned Peaches, No. 3 Cans.....12 1/2c	Canned Beans.....8 1/2c
Evaporated Milk.....10c	Eggs, warranted.....36c
Flour, 1 lb. bbl.....\$1.10	Union Coffee, fresh roasted and ground.....19c, 24c, 31c
Spaghetti.....20c	Union Teas from.....25c to 60c
Walnuts.....20c	Oranges, Sweet Floridas.....15c, 35c
Sliced Peaches, No. 3 Cans.....3 for 25c	Pineapples.....4 for 25c
Canned Peas.....8 1/2c	

**WE SAVE YOU 20c ON EVERY DOLLAR PURCHASE**

- 29—Annual held day of high school boys' regiment and girls' battalions. Old Moody school sold.
- 30—Memorial day observed with parade and appropriate exercises.
- 31—Charles H. Hanson appointed chairman of license commission.
- June.**
- 2—Textile school graduation.
  - 3—Boy scout held day.
  - 4—Alfred Thibault, 18, killed by falling wall in Payne street. Commemorative exercises at Rogers Hall school. Board of trade directs officers.
  - 8—Dog show at Vesper Country club.
  - 10—Epidemic of measles in Lowell.
  - 11—Children's day observed.
  - 14—Flag day observed in local schools. 20000 march in great preparedness parade.
  - 15—Graduation exercises at Notre Dame academy. Shakespearian pageant at Normal school campus.
  - 16—Commencement exercises at St. Patrick's boys' school.
  - 21—John P. Connor sells his share in Lowell baseball team. Company M of the Ninth regiment go to Camp Whiteside preparatory to border duty. Battery C, field artillery, starts for the front.
  - 21—Andrew Bakis killed by automobile in East Merrimack street. Opening in John street widened.
  - 27—High school graduating exercises.

**July.**

    - 2—George W. Lees, 39, killed at Mountain Rock. Tewksbury visited by a cyclone.
    - 7—George Hammett, 14, drowned at Dunstable.
    - 8—Mayor O'Donnell asks Lowell public to contribute for the members of Co. M on the border.
    - 10—Adelbert and Leo Landry, brothers, drowned in Merrimack river near Aiken street bridge.
    - 20—Thomas Bond, 25, drowned in South Billerica.
    - 21—Police messenger reinstated.
    - 22—Frederick Fanning Ayer gave \$200,000 to the Lowell General hospital.
    - 23—Patrolman Francis H. Moore appointed special officer.

**August.**

      - 2—Master Plumbers' outing.
      - 3—Frank W. Pearson appointed adjutant general.
      - 7—Y.M.C.A. midway show opens on First street oval.
      - 10—Dorothy Estes, 22, drowned in Georgetown.
      - 15—McManus picnic at Mountain Rock.
      - 17—Lowell lodge of Elks outing in Tyngsboro.
      - 20—Henry L. Sullivan defeats Charlie Toth in endurance swim. Dovidia Paganin, 21, drowned at Mountain Rock.
      - 21—State convention of A.O.H. opens.
      - 23—Hottest day of the year.
      - 25—Gas explosion in manhole in Moody street.
      - 31—Summer playgrounds close.

**September.**

        - 2—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ricard observe 25th anniversary of their wedding.
        - 4—Lowell and Lawrence teams dropped from the Eastern league.
        - 5—City club hearing before license commission.
        - 6—Monster Labor Day demonstration.
        - 11—Middlesex North Agricultural fair at Golden Cove park. Olive B. Croft, 15, drowned in Concord river.
        - 15—Romey murder trial opens at East Cambridge. Mayor O'Donnell abolishes position of police messenger.
        - 22—Corner stone of new St. Louis church in West Centralville laid.
        - 26—Patrolman David Hogan retired on pension.
        - 29—Olga Koczara, three years, killed by automobile in Third street.
        - 30—John H. Melonis killed by live wire in Beacon street.

**October.**

          - 30—Albert J. Roper acquitted of murder.

**November.**

          - 10—Annual banquet of the Mathew Temperance Institute.
          - 12—Columbus day parade.
          - 17—Furness windstorm. Battery C arrives back from the border.
          - 20—John J. Nugent asphyxiated at gas works.
          - 22—Eagles unveil monument in St. Patrick's and Westtown cemeteries.
          - 23—State conference of charities opens.

**December.**

            - 1—Gallant Hunt appointed state arborist.
            - 10—Company M, 9th regiment, returns from Mexican border.
            - 12—State election.
            - 13—Gun fire in Broadway.
            - 9—Capt. James Brogan shot at Waverest.
            - The Harold L. Chabouss and Miss Elizabeth A. Burrage married.
            - 14—First snow storm of the season.
            - 21—City primaries.
            - 25—Shooting affray in Root mills.
            - 29—John Collins, a badly injured in Waverest.
            - 30—Big blaze in Broadway—two badly burned.
            - 31—Elks' Memorial services, tribute order observed centenary at Immaculate Conception church.
            - 31—Elks' Christmas charity fund distribution.
            - 31—Annual banquet of Hunting club.
            - 31—Big blaze in Middlesex street.
            - 31—City election.
            - 31—Automobile show at armory.
            - 31—George W. Weston, murderer executed at Worcester insane asylum.
            - 31—Commissioner Putnam gives \$200,000 for city park.
            - 31—Cemetery workers in churches at 12 general observance throughout the city.

## PROMINENT PEOPLE WHO DIED IN 1916

- Following is a list of the more prominent people who died during the year. The names given should be included may have been unintentionally overlooked in the review, as occasionally prominent people pass away without attracting much public attention:
- January.**
- 2—Stewart Maxwell, 71.
  - 3—Mrs. Augusta F. Shannon, 52.
  - 6—Mrs. Joseph Parent, 61.
  - 6—Mrs. Henrietta Gifford, 85.
  - 12—Dr. Frederick W. Barnes, 52.
  - 14—Edmund H. Pradsky, 75.
  - 14—Edward A. Schron, 55.
  - 21—George E. Perry, 71.
  - 21—George Franklin Allen, 78.
  - 24—Alfred S. Ellis, 83.
  - 27—George L. Scipione, 75.
  - 28—May J. Callahan, 43.
  - 28—Mrs. Charles S. Foster.
  - 27—John Watson, 61.
  - 28—Mortimer O'Sullivan, 78.
  - 31—Conductor Edward Barry, 40.
  - 31—Mrs. Ross Smith, 81.
- February.**
- 1—Mrs. H. Adelle Carter, 76.

## P & Q Clothes

## Start the New Year Right!

The past year has been a prosperous one for all in this great United States. For our big share of good times we have you men of Lowell to thank. So listen to

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To serve you in the future as faithfully and truthfully as in the past; and to continue to give you the best possible clothes in the very latest styles, at the lowest possible prices.

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- 2—Henry Quinn, 62.
- 3—William Underwood, 76.
- 4—Mrs. Lydia A. Nelson, 76.
- 6—Mrs. Elizabeth Moehan.
- 12—James Edward Hill, 77.
- 13—Mrs. James Edward Hill.
- 16—Joseph Bay, 72.
- 19—Charles W. Morley.
- 23—Francis Varley, 77.
- March.**
- 2—Benjamin S. Freeman, 83.
  - 4—Jane Swapp, 81.
  - 5—Mrs. Charles A. Baughen, 81.
  - 5—William C. Johnson, 83.
  - 6—Mrs. Michael MacFarlane, 68.
  - 8—Mr. Michael MacFarlane, 68.
  - 11—Justin N. Power.
  - 15—Michael J. Lynch, 61.
  - 21—Edw. N. Coburn, 84, (fractured).
  - 24—Thomas H. Boyle, 57.
- April.**
- 2—Alexander Walker, 87.
  - 3—Mrs. Margaret E. Ryan, 65.
  - 5—Daniel Quinn, 67.
  - 13—Mrs. Mary O'Donoghue, 75.
  - 15—Mrs. Elizabeth J. Sullivan, 65.
  - 17—Charles W. Wadden, 57.
  - 18—William B. Dwyer, 72.
  - 19—Mrs. Julia G. Merrill, 96.
  - 22—John Smith, 70.
  - 22—Katherine G. Sparks.
  - 23—Thomas Doyle, 84.
  - 25—Orvin J. Stauching, 83, (choked).
- May.**
- 2—George W. Brothers, 63.
  - 6—Frank A. Bowen, 65.
  - 8—Julia A. Carroll, 66.
  - 18—Mrs. Morris, 63.
  - 19—Patrick J. Curry, 65.
  - 21—John J. Luff, 61.
  - 24—Mrs. Bertha M. Nelson, 75.
  - 24—Henry Farrell, 87.
- June.**
- 1—Gay Mowry, 73.
  - 2—Samuel W. Field, 81.
  - 7—Mrs. Sarah R. Thompson, 78.
  - 8—Thomas Fagan, 71.
  - 11—Dr. James P. Leary, 49.
  - 15—Mrs. William W. Leary, 79.
  - 17—Rev. Joseph A. Maginn, O.M.I., 59.
  - 21—Clark M. Linsley, 80.
- July.**
- 1—Mrs. Francis Bartlett, 55.
  - 1—Mrs. Maria O. Rogers, 71.
  - 1—Albert I. Field, 81.
  - 1—John J. Thayer.
  - 10—J. Henry Dunham, 47.
  - 12—Bridget Ryan, 92.
  - 15—William Mooney, 54.
  - 21—Michael Driscoll.
  - 23—Mary J. Hale, 31.
  - 27—Theodore Ripley, 19.
- August.**
- 2—Mary Jane Kershner, 54.
  - 7—Edmund Clayton, 78.
  - 12—Lewis Kimball, 71.
  - 13—Mrs. Mary Sullivan, 78.
  - 14—William H. Ramsdell, 78.
  - 15—Mrs. Dorothy P. Woodley, 72.
  - 16—Gertrude Sheldon, 78.
  - 20—George Green, 21.
- September.**
- 7—Maria Carr, 52.
  - 10—Eden Streeter, 75.
  - 14—Rev. E. T. Schofield.
  - 15—Lewis Kimball, 71.
  - 15—Mrs. Mary Sullivan, 78.
  - 15—William H. Ramsdell, 78.
  - 15—Mrs. Dorothy P. Woodley, 72.
  - 16—Gertrude Sheldon, 78.
  - 20—George Green, 21.
- October.**
- 5—Mrs. Ellen T. Gaffney, 61.
  - 6—Michael A. McKee, 61.
  - 11—George H. Kellogg, 43.
  - 12—Frederick W. Barnes, 52.
  - 20—George T. Hill, 77.
  - 20—John McEvoy, 55.
  - 24—Mrs. William A. Hogan, 47.
  - 27—George A. Whitman, 54.
  - 27—John J. Hogan, 54.
- November.**
- 4—Anthony Walsh, 38.
  - 6—Isaac Woodward Brown, 87.
  - 11—William M. Fairbanks, 41.
  - 11—John Keefe, 74.
  - 22—Nathaniel P. Whitney, 85.
- December.**
- 6—Mrs. Eliza A. Hill, 87, (died).
  - 7—Charles H. Molloy.

## DROWNING ACCIDENTS DURING THE YEAR

The committee on waterways, has submitted the following list of drowning accidents during the year and names of those who have been recognized by Mayor O'Donnell, in recognition of their services.

December 28, 1916.

Dear James E. O'Donnell, City Hall.

Dear Sir: We herewith submit a list of the unfortunate victims of drowning accidents in Lowell during the year 1916. You will find that the majority of these took place during the summer, and that since August 1st, the date the apparatus was installed, only two drownings have occurred. In both these cases the victims were sailors.

We are pleased to append a list of those who have been recognized for their services, and are sure that their names will be prominently and their names will be prominently and their names will be prominently.

- Officers Elected**
- Ward Four Improvement Association
- Held Well Attended Meeting and Chose Officers For Year
- A well attended meeting and election of officers of the Ward Four Improvement Association was held last night. There was a large attendance and considerable business of importance was transacted during the evening.
- The election of officers resulted as follows:
- President, John J. Kieran; vice president, Thomas Mangum; secretary, Richard Lyons; financial secretary, John Deane; executive board, George Conway, Samuel Harnden, John P. Mahoney, William Fawcett and George Ainsworth. The secretaries read a letter of greetings sent to the association by Mayor O'Donnell and the latter was given a vote of thanks.

Money deposited in The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank on or before Saturday, January 6th, will bear interest from that day.

## FIRE LOSS FOR YEAR WAS SMALL

The loss by fire this year has been comparatively small, there being but 13 fires when the loss was reported to be over \$100. This is due to a large measure to the effectiveness of the department as well as to the efficient work of the firemen.

The following is a list of the fires where the loss was over \$100:

- Jan. 1—Grocery store, \$1501.57.
- 2—McDonnell, loss not reported.
- 10—John Thayer, barn, \$2185.
- March 1—Grocery store, \$1071.21.
- April 2—Soda block, \$2020.40.
- Nelson Five and Ten Cent Store, \$2194.70.
- June 11—T. E. Chase & Son, \$5999.45.
- July 16—181 Howard street, \$1467.59.
- Sept. 8—424 Market street, \$1267.71.
- Oct. 12—238 Chelmsford street, \$1438.
- 28—Stock room at Lowell Water Works, \$2085.80.
- Dec. 1—Keeffe estate in Broadway, loss not yet reported.
- 8 Clark estate, corner Middlesex and South streets, loss not yet reported.

**AN EXPERT ON COLDS**

Comparatively few people realize that a cold is a signal of physical weakness. To treat a cold with weakening physics, alcoholic syrups or drugged pills, may smother the cold but they also reduce the body powers still further and invite more serious sickness.

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## A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

Never a Christmas passes, never an old year ends, but someone thinks of someone, old times, old haunts, old friends.

## Billy Scanlon Issues

It was just quarter of century ago that the late Billy Scanlon, at that time the most popular lyric tenor on the American stage, suddenly went insane in the height of his popularity, casting a gloom over the entire theatre-going public. Few who saw him in the old days but can vividly recall him singing "Peek-a-Boo" or some other of his favorite songs which years ago were sung in every household in the country. In connection with the announcement of his sad plight, the Sun of quarter of a century ago had the following:

"In the intensely sad illness of the Irish comedian Billy Scanlon at New York, there is widespread regret among all lovers of freedom for Ireland. Scanlon it was, who gave \$200 to Dillon and O'Brien for the evicted tenants, and two years ago played a week at the Star theatre, New York, for the benefit of the mother of Charles Stewart Farnell. These things are all treasured by those in whose veins pulsates Irish blood. William J. Hyman, Esq., the silver-tongued lawyer of Chicago, who prosecuted the murderers of the late Dr. Cronin, is the uncle of Scanlon. The actor's condition grows more serious daily. He refuses all nourishment, eating only for delirium, which are of no benefit to him in his weakened condition. Though less violent than he was his mind does not improve. Drs. Smith and Hamilton do not believe that he can survive two weeks more.

## Old Times Make Come-Back

Few old time theatre-goers perhaps who read the announcement that Mackie and Walker were on the bill for the concert at the Opera House last Sunday realized that they were the same old Mackie and Walker who delighted large audiences with their character songs quarter of a century ago. But they were the same old team and they revived some of the old time songs such as are seldom heard on the vaudeville stage these days; their "pipe" are fairly good and they are again making a living on the stage after having abandoned it some years ago. In the old days they made a big hit with "Across the Fringe He Goes," a famous character song introduced by them shortly after the opening of the Brooklyn bridge, when there was but one big suspension bridge spanning the river between New York and Brooklyn. Another great song of theirs was "The Upper Ten and Lower Five" and "Life's a Game of Cards." They sang these for a number of years and then got into burlesque and began to go back. Finally they quit the stage and for a long time remained off the board, living around Boston. But it remained for Johnnie Quigley, the popular theatrical booking agent, and once famous in vaudeville himself, as "America's Newshy Tenor" to bring them out again. It was so long since the character songs such as Mackie and Walker once sang were heard on the stage that Mr. Quigley believed that a revival would go well, being new to the younger generation and pleasantly reminiscent to the older. He found that the pair were in fairly good voice and he started them off again some few months ago. They're going big, singing the same old songs, and

getting recalls wherever they appear. At Kettie's a few Sundays ago another old time who is still going appeared in the bill in the person of Louis Fitzlaw, of the team of Fitzlaw and Fitzlaw. Louis first appeared in Lowell quarter of a century ago as a tenor soloist with Primrose and West's minstrels. He is the composer of "Take Back Your Gold" and other songs that had a run of popularity.

## Dummer Street Extension

What do you know about this? Just quarter of a century ago a lively hearing was held at city hall on the proposition to extend Dummer street from Merrimack to Market streets. Probably Webster was in Lowell when they first started to talk about that extension and knows that some day they would get it and name it after him. But he died and he came from this city. Here is what the old Sun said of that hearing just quarter of a century ago to-night:

"There was quite a breezy hearing on the extension of Dummer street held in the council chamber on Monday evening (December 29), the respondents were out in full force and were heard first. Col. James H. Carmichael represented the opponents of the scheme and it was alleged that the extension is to benefit the street railroad and a few private owners, and the city in general, not even the residents of ward one. After a great number of respondents were heard the hearing was adjourned until next Wednesday evening. At the adjourned hearing Alderman Puffer made reply to the unwarranted attacks made upon him. He said he believed in the project, not for persons but for the public good. The speakers in opposition to the extension were Patrick Dempsey, John H. Coffey, Patrick H. Savage, John J. Harvey, George C. Thompson, Lawrence Cummings, John Callahan and James H. Carmichael who read several letters objecting to the extension. In favor of the extension appeared Elbridge Dearborn, Michael Bourke, Percy Parker, Michael J. Garvey, Fred Church and John Walsh. E. B. Quinn and Col. Carmichael presented the petition for a special election on the project. This was believed to be in accordance with the statutes and if so it could not be ignored. It caused another adjournment that the advice of the city solicitor might be obtained.

And they went at it periodically until the present government put it through, and now there is less for a suitable name for it.

## For Old Ladies' Home

Says The Sun of quarter of a century ago:

"An amateur performance was given at the Opera House on Wednesday evening for the Old Ladies' Home. The program opened with a farce entitled 'Gladman 88' in which the players were Miss Minnie A. Cummock, Mrs. J. I. Cummock, Mr. V. I. Cummock and Mr. Thomas Talbot. A comedy entitled 'A Sheep in Wolf's Clothing' was next presented, the participants

being Mrs. Thomas Nesmith, Mrs. G. H. Pillsbury, Miss Isabel Talbot, Miss Jessie Latham, Mr. Howard Gray, Mr. Joseph Smith, Mr. Walter Perkins, Mr. Thomas Hart, Mr. E. J. Jones, Mr. M. A. Whittier. Both pieces were staged under the direction of Hon. Charles D. Palmer.

The Thursday evening entertainment was also given for the benefit of the Old Ladies' Home, by an amateur company before a large audience. The first piece presented was entitled 'A Happy Pair.' Mr. Charles B. Hutchinson and Miss Whittier taking the leading parts. The next piece was 'The Palace of Truth,' a fairy-like comedy in three acts. The players were Mrs. C. D. Palmer, Mrs. C. F. Colburn, Mrs. Thomas Nesmith, Mrs. Joseph Nesmith, Miss Mary Robinson, Mr. A. M. Spencer, Mr. C. F. Colburn, Mr. H. V. Raynes, Mr. C. S. Hutchinson, Mr. H. V. Huse, Mr. H. C. Raynes, Jr., Hon. Charles D. Palmer was general manager. The entertainment netted a good sum for the Old Ladies' Home.

## THE OLD TIMES

Deposit that Christmas money in The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank, Saturday, January 6, is quarter day.

Violon, Associate hall tonight.

## SUN BREVITIES

Best Printing, Tobins, Asso. Bldg. Auto supplies, Debarrell, 23 Middle st.

Charles P. Miller, who for the past ten years has been in the employ of Morse & Beals, has accepted a position with J. J. McManis in Prescott street.

In the report of the funeral of Mrs. Anne Montan, published yesterday, the names of Edith Jennings and Mary Bourke were omitted from the list of those who sent spiritual bouquets.

Engine 4 was called to the Barry Shoe Co's plant in Maple street at 10 o'clock as a result of the sounding of an automatic alarm, but when the firemen arrived on the scene it was found that there was no blaze.

Arthur Perreault and Z. A. Normandin will leave tomorrow for St. Jean and Montreal, Que., where they will spend a week. Mr. Normandin will attend the wedding of his brother, Eugene, which will take place in St. Jean next week.

The regular weekly business meeting of the Lowell Socialist club was held last night at 35 Central street. Routine business was transacted after a discussion on the propaganda league manifesto was held. At the meeting to be held on January 4 the election of officers will take place.

Among the United States letters patent recently issued, secured through the advice of Benjamin N. Pearson, Esq., one to Benjamin Behrman on slippers and processes of making same. This invention covers a thin slip formed by clenching the outside edge of a shoe upper to provide a public extension which is afterwards trimmed off.

The clerk of the superior court will be at his office in the court house, in Corbin street, Wednesday next at 10 a. m. for the purpose of receiving petitions for naturalization, (second papers) on Thursday at 10 o'clock for the purpose of receiving applications for first papers and on Friday, if sufficient business is assured, for both first and second papers.

Three children, aged three months, two and four years, alleged to have been deserted by their parents, were sent to the state hospital on recommendation of the Lowell Humane society yesterday afternoon. The office of the society was notified that the three children were alone in a house in Church street where they had been deserted. Their parents' clothes had been taken away, it was said. The conditions were such that the children were immediately sent to the state hospital.

## MATRIMONIAL

Arthur J. Cummings, a well known automobile dealer, and Miss Marion Louise Gregoire, a prominent young woman of the Highlands, were married late yesterday afternoon, the ceremony being performed at Notre Dame de Lourdes rectory by the pastor, Rev. Leon Lamotte, O.M.I. The bride wore a blue traveling gown with black accent. She was attended by Miss Florence Payton, who wore a burgundy traveling gown with hat to match. The best man was a brother of the bride, David S. Gregoire. At the close of the ceremony the bride party moved to Boston, where a wedding dinner was served at the Thorndike hotel. Mr. and Mrs. Cummings left last evening on an extended wedding trip to New York and Savannah, Ga., and upon their return they will make their home at 175 Princeton street.

## Nelson-Denis

Thomas Nelson and Miss Yvonne Denis were married Wednesday afternoon at St. Joseph's rectory by Rev. Joseph Denis, O.M.I. The bride wore a gray traveling suit and she carried a large bouquet. She was attended by Miss Jessie Denis, who was attired in dark green chiffon and carried a large bouquet. The best man was William Nelson. At the close of the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, 294 Moody street. The couple left during the evening on an extended wedding trip.

## Hickory-Motholland

John J. Hickory and Miss Rose A. Motholland were married Dec. 2 at St. Patrick's rectory, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Timothy P. Callahan. The bride was attired in white satin and she carried a large bouquet. She was attended by Miss Mary Motholland, who wore pink satin and carried pink carnations. The best man was William Motholland. At the close of the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride and in the evening the couple left on a wedding trip to Boston and New York. After Dec. 15 they will be at home to their friends at 358 Broadway. The bride's gift to the bridegroom was a sapphire ring, while the groom's favor to the best man was a diamond stickpin.

## GROGERS INDICTED

THE LOWELL, Dec. 28.—Accused of conspiracy in restraint of trade, nine grocers, all members of the Retail Grocers and Butchers Association, were indicted by the grand jury this afternoon. The indictment specifically charged that the defendants conspired to fix a minimum price for butter.

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## NINTH ANNUAL BANQUET

Continued

der the law. And if our country needs defense at arms, the teachers of St. Patrick's will be found with the alumni for place on the firing line. That is the way with Catholics.

## Mayor James E. O'Donnell

A piano and violin duet by William P. McCherry, 15 and Frank E. Deignan, 28 was greatly enjoyed and then came another assembly number, followed by a brief address by Mayor James E. O'Donnell who spoke on "Our City." The mayor paid a high tribute to the school which he said has been a great force for the production of good citizenship in Lowell, and he congratulated the brothers and the committee on the occasion.

Peter E. Kane '17 sang and then Rev. Denis E. Murphy of the class of '22, formerly of St. Michael's church, but now of St. Paul's, Cambridge, spoke on "Education and Character." The ability of P. Murphy as a speaker is well known in this city and last evening he was at his best.

After a song by Thomas M. Delmore '16, the closing number was the singing of "America" by all present, and an enjoyable and thoroughly successful evening was brought to a happy close.

## Many Visitors Present

Among those present from out of town were William Spillane of Dedrick, Frank Sullivan of Washington, D. C., Frank Mullin of Cambridge and Michael Hennessy of Nashua, N. H. and among the Xavierian brothers present were Rev. Bro. Marcus, Rev. Bro. Benedict, Rev. Bro. de Sales and Rev. Bro. Hyacinth, all of St. Patrick's school, Rev. Bro. Fabian of Somerville, supervisor of the Xavierian schools of New England, and Rev. Bro. Raphael of the Working Boys' home of Newton Highlands.

The officers of the association are: John P. Golden, president; John J. Hanlon, vice president; Edward J. Flannery, secretary; Rev. Brother Edmund, treasurer; executive committee, John J. Flannery, chairman; Rev. Brother Edmund, superior; William J. Sullivan, Edward J. O'Donnell, Martin P. McCarthy, Michael Giblin, Barrett G. Royal, Edward J. Hines, John P. Mitchell, John J. O'Brien, Edward B. Connelly, John J. Giblin, John P. Stapleton, Harold H. Sullivan, John T. Powers, Walter H. Hickey, Michael Kelley, Timothy P. Sullivan, William Andrews, Timothy P. Hanlon, Joseph L. Conlin, John J. Flannery, Joseph M. Hines, William A. Connelly, William J. Madden, Edward P. Quinn, Paul McLaughlin, William P. J. Duggan, David J. Flaherty.

Those seated at the head table were Rev. William O'Brien, P.R., who presided at the banquet, at the head table, Rev. Austin P. Hickey of Boston, supervisor of parochial schools of the archdiocese, who made an informal address during the evening's exercises, Rev. J. J. Kerrigan of St. Patrick's church, James Sullivan, Rev. Denis E. Murphy of Cambridge, John J. Flannery, Denis A. Murphy, Daniel J. Gallagher of Boston, Rev. William Dacey of Boston, Rev. Brendan Shea of Camden, N. J., Rev. Bro. Edmund.

## FLOUR COMES DOWN

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Flour remains high, and 98 is showing the effects of the upward trend of prices, not least, resulting from this season, and flour has fallen to \$10.75 a barrel for some popular brands.

The best exars are still a luxury, at 65 cents a dozen, and print butter is 45 cents a pound. Green vegetables are getting higher also as the season advances.

## STEAMERS STRUCK MINES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The British tank steamer Paul Paine, which left New York Nov. 25 for Calais, struck a mine off the English coast and was towed into Swansea, Dec. 24, according to a report received today at the state department from Vice Consul Velterton at Swansea. The report also said the French schooner St. Louis had struck a mine on Dec. 26 and sunk, with the loss of three men.

## SOLD FOR \$1,500,000

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 28.—The sale of the plant of the Superior Steel Co., at Carnegie, to a group of New York and Philadelphia bankers, has been announced here. The price paid was \$1,500,000, of which \$6,000,000 will be paid in cash and the balance in stock of the new organization which will be known as the Superior Steel corporation, chartered under the laws of Virginia.

## THE PANAMA CANAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The channel through the treacherous shoals of Galliard cut in the Panama canal now is in better condition than ever before. The work of clearing the passage, with hope against hope, of the shoals is far advanced, according to the latest official announcement of its progress.

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\$25 Suits	\$14.00
\$20 Suits	\$10.98
\$15 Suits	\$8.75
\$50 Plush Coats	\$35.00
\$45 Plush Coats	\$28.00
\$40 Cloth Coats	\$22.50
\$30 Cloth Coats	\$18.50
\$25 Cloth Coats	\$14.50
\$15 Cloth Coats	\$7.98
\$10 Silk Poplin and Serge Dresses	\$4.75
\$18 Poplin and Serge Dresses	\$10.00
\$25 Silk Dresses	\$14.50
\$30 Dresses	\$16.50
\$18 Party Dresses	\$10.00
\$12.50 Party Dresses	\$6.75

250 SKIRTS	RAINCOATS
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## Furs! Furs!! Furs!!!

Red Fox Sets	\$20.00	Tiger Sets	\$4.50
Natural Raccoon Sets	\$20.00	Jap Mink Muffs	\$8.50
Black Opossum Muffs, value \$18.00	\$9.50	Muskrat Muffs	\$7.50
Black Muffs	\$3.98	Black Fox Muffs	\$14.00

## THOUSANDS OF OTHER BARGAINS NOT MENTIONED

You can come here today, tomorrow, or any day during this sale and pick whatever you need to wear from the largest stock of the finest merchandise at remarkable reductions from our former prices which were by far the lowest to be found anywhere on goods of such high character.

## LEMKIN'S CLOAK &amp; SUIT STORE

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## LOWELL BOY ON THE MEXICAN FRONTIER

A letter was received this morning by Absalom Patenaude of Moody street from his son, Sergt. Henri Patenaude, U.S.A., who is now located at Douglas, Ariz., on the Mexican frontier. The young man had not written home for several months and his father was becoming alarmed as to his safety. When last heard from, Sergt. Patenaude was located with the United States army at Naam, Ariz., another frontier town, where the "Sonora" gave the United States soldiers considerable trouble. The sergeant, in his letter received today, states he is enjoying the best

diets are making preparations for a grand celebration of Christmas and New Year's and he takes occasion to wish a merry Christmas and a happy New Year to all his Lowell friends and relatives. Sergt. Patenaude's last visit to Lowell was two years ago, at which time he re-enlisted in the army for four more years. He states his enlistment will expire in two years, but he has not made up his mind whether or not he will take up a third enlistment. Accompanying his letter were two handsome gifts for his two nephews, as well as a token of remembrance to his father.

## GOOD WINTER WEATHER

While today was by no means the coldest day of the present winter, many people felt it quite severely owing to the penetrating winds. The lowest official mark was 18 degrees above zero between 7 and 8 o'clock this morning at the head house, Pawtucket mill. At 6 o'clock it was but nine degrees above zero at the boardward pumping station. At noon the mercury in Merrimack square registered 26 above.

## CASTORIA

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THE LOWELL, Dec. 28.—The five-masted schooner Fannie Palmer, last of the vessels built for the once famous Palmer fleet, has been abandoned at sea during a voyage with coal from Newport News for Cartagena, Spain, her captain reported to agents here today. The crew was saved, probably by transfer to a passing steamer and landed at Gibraltar.

## SCHOONER ABANDONED AT SEA; CREW SAVED

The Fannie Palmer, which was sold to Jacob S. Winslow of Portland, Me., recently, was one of the American vessels placed on the British "black list" because of a cargo of coal delivered at Buenos Ayres which, it was claimed, reached German consignees. The schooner registered 1226 tons.

## CAPTAIN GIVEN TEN YEARS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 28.—David Caplan, last of the alleged dynamiters brought to trial for the destruction of the Los Angeles Times building in 1910 when 21 men were killed, was sentenced yesterday to 10 years in San Quentin penitentiary on a charge of manslaughter. The court granted a certificate of probable cause for appeal which will suspend execution of sentence until there is a decision upon Caplan's expected appeal.

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## YOUNG MEN'S OVERCOATS

Pinch back and half belt backs, made with velvet or plain collars, in regular or ulster styles, that sold for \$18, \$20 and \$22.50. For Saturday \$15.00

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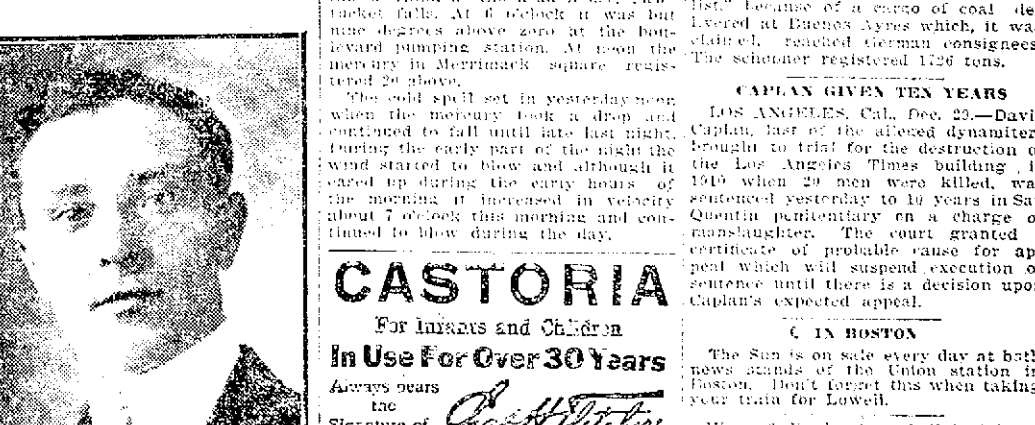
## A Gift at New Year's

Is just as pleasing and acceptable as at Christmas.

Perhaps there is a friend whose name was not on your Christmas shopping list. Send him or her a gift at New Year's and choose it from our large and low-priced stock.

## RICARD'S GIFT SHOPS

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## POLICE OFFICERS IN RING OF AUTO THEIEVS

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—One lieutenant of police and five detective sergeants according to statements made at the office of the state's attorney today are involved in an alleged ring of automobile thieves. Thirty arrests have been made. Since a confession was made by "Abe the Agent" Raymer, it is said others arrested have made offers to confess in return for immunity.

## LARGEST SINGLE DAY'S IMPORTATION OF GOLD

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The largest single day's importation of gold into this country was recorded today with the deposit of \$35,000,000 by J. P. Morgan & Co., in the New York and Philadelphia assay offices. Of this amount \$25,000,000 deposited here was in the form of American eagles, being the identical gold which was shipped to Paris in April, 1904, during the Roosevelt administration, by this government as part of the payment of \$40,000,000 made to the old French Panama Canal company for its equities in the canal.

## TERRIBLE DESTRUCTION WROUGHT IN OIL FIELDS

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 28, via London.—The Volks Zeitung of Cologne reproduces the narrative of an officer of the German general staff in regard to the Rumanian campaign in which it is said the destruction wrought in the Rumanian oil fields was "terrible," surpassing everything of the kind during the war.

## BERLIN REPORT COMPLETE DEFEAT OF RUSSIANS

BERLIN, Dec. 28, by wireless to Fayetteville.—The defeat of the Russo-Rumanian forces by the invading Teutonic army has been completed, it is announced officially. Russian troops which attempted to regain lost ground were thrust back and ejected from their new positions with heavy losses. In yesterday's fighting the Austro-German forces took 3000 prisoners.

## WANTS CONSTABLES TO WEAR \$75 COSTUMES

BILL CALLS FOR A LITTLE STYLE  
IN CHELSEA POLICE COURT—  
BILL FILED YESTERDAY

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Artists may picture justice as securely handfolded but that's no reason why her constables in the Chelsea police court should not appear in public looking as nifty as possible, according to Senator Beck of Chelsea. Accordingly, he filed a bill at the state house yesterday requiring each constable in that court to wear a \$75 costume.

Baggy trousers have no place before the bar and check suits should not be allowed to bring harrowing memories to the dishonest unfortunate haled into court, Senator Beck believes.

## CANADIAN PARLIAMENT WILL OPEN JAN. 18

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 28.—The Canadian parliament will open Jan. 18, according to a proclamation made public here today over the signature of the duke of Devonshire, governor-general.

## RESUMES DIVIDENDS

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. today resumed dividends on its common stock by declaring a payment of 15 cents a share. The last dividend on this issue was paid Dec. 15, 1915. The regular quarterly dividend was also declared.

**DOLLARS  
SPENT IN  
LOWELL**

Remain here and  
work for  
**DOLLARS**

SENT OUT OF OUR CITY ARE GONE FOREVER

**MONEY TALKS  
BOOST  
FOR OUR HOME TOWN**

## HOTEL WRECKED BY EXPLOSION TWO MISSING

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., Dec. 28.—From the ruins of three-story wooden Madison hotel here about a dozen injured persons were rescued after the structure was wrecked by a gas explosion and fire today. Robert M. Snyder, son of the proprietor, and a bartender are missing. Two of the injured may die.

## EXTRA DIVIDEND BY WELLS-FARGO & CO.

COMPANY DEFINITELY RETIRED  
FROM THE BANKING BUSINESS IN  
NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—An extra dividend of \$2.33 a share was declared today by Wells-Fargo & Co. in addition to the semi-annual dividend of \$3. The company announced it had definitely retired from banking business in which it has been engaged for many years.

It was explained that the extra dividend was paid from the income from investment securities and not from the company's express business earnings.

## DENY THAT HUNGARIAN PREMIER IS TO RESIGN

BERLIN, via London, Dec. 28.—The administration papers in Budapest deny a report published in the opposition organs that Count Stephen Tisza, the Hungarian premier, is about to follow Baron Burian and Dr. von Koerber into retirement. The possibility of the withdrawal from public life of Hungary's "strong man" has, however, been in the air since before the death of Emperor Francis Joseph. A well authenticated story then declared that Baron Burian was about to be replaced by Count Czernin and that Premier Tisza was also scheduled to go.

According to this story these changes were contemplated as in line with the determination to weaken the predominance which Hungary, under Count Tisza, had acquired in the dual monarchy.

The present report of Premier Tisza's impending resignation gives as the reason differences he is alleged to have with Count Czernin and the coalition cabinet. The Czernin administration is believed to have been formed primarily to conclude delicate negotiations for an adjustment of the differences between Hungary and Austria and it is over the details of this adjustment that Premier Tisza is supposed to have disagreed with his Austrian colleague.

## WOODED AND WON BRIDE THROUGH MAIL

IDAHO YOUTH CAME 2500 MILES TO  
MARRY NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE  
GIRL

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 28.—Robert Fontaine, 22 years old, of Durley, Idaho, came 2500 miles across the continent to wed Miss Mary Cecilia Schreiber of 177 Westworth street, West Manchester, at her home here yesterday.

Two years ago the bride's brother, Gustave Schreiber, returned from a western tour and told his sister of the nice young man he met in Idaho, who subsequently sprung up between the Manchester girl and the youth in the west. As time wore on, the letters passed between the two, they became aware of a kindred taste in music and other affairs.

Their letters became more and more intimate. The youth in Idaho finally started a courtship by mail. He wooed and won his bride through the medium of Uncle Sam's postal service.

## BUSINESS MEN HOLD MASS MEETING

TRANSPORTATION IN RELATION TO  
INDUSTRIES OF MASSACHUSETTS  
DISCUSSED

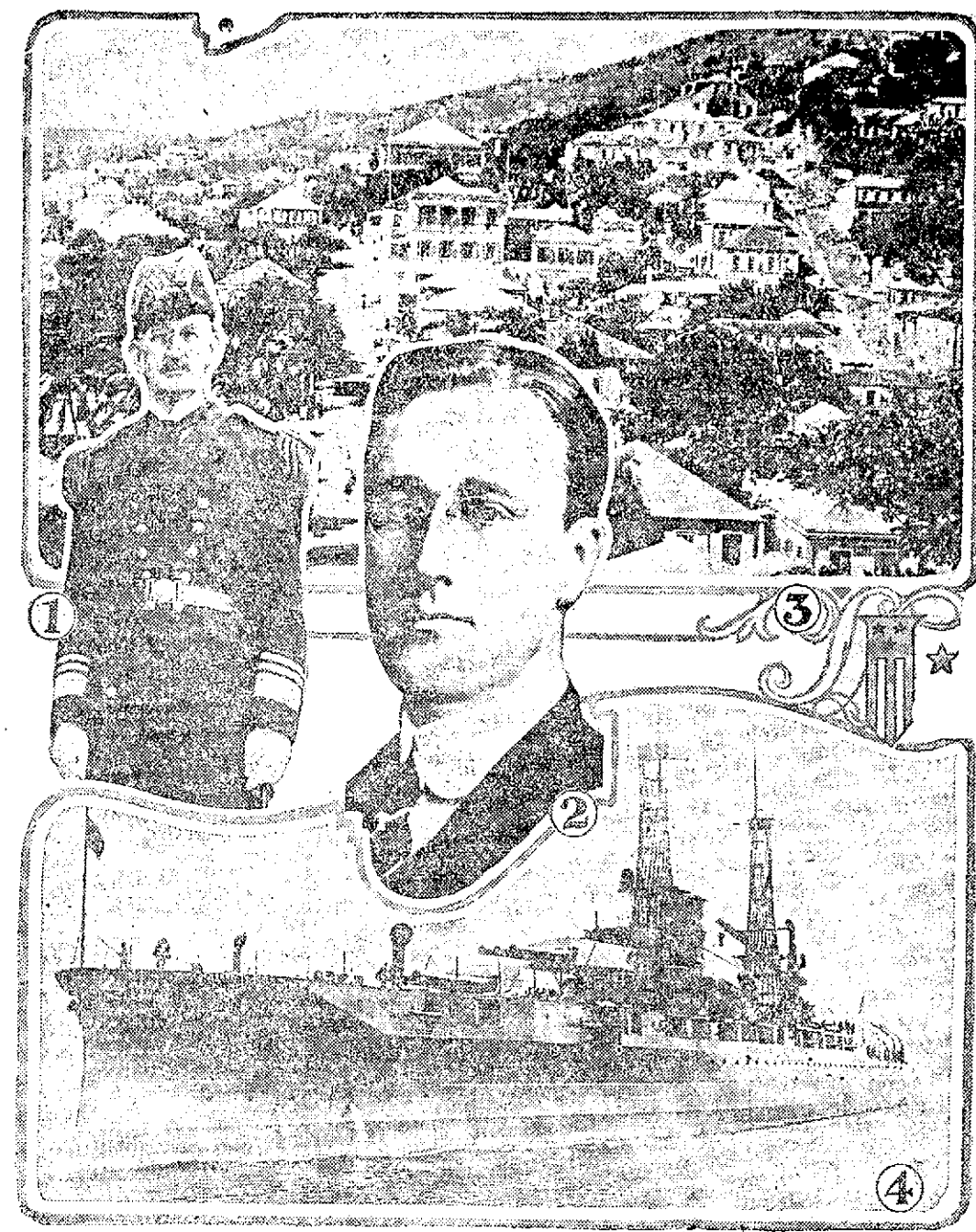
SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 28.—Transportation in relation to the industries of Massachusetts was discussed in a mass meeting of business men here this afternoon under the auspices of the Massachusetts board of trade. A special train brought a large delegation from the eastern part of the state, Gov. Samuel W. McCall presided, and Mayor F. J. Stary welcomed the gathering.

Henry A. Webb, president of the state board, Frederick J. Hillman, vice president of the board, and a number of the National Association of Road Builders and W. A. Clark, president of the New England Coal Dealers association, were among the speakers.

This evening President Howard H. Bright of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, Dr. Victor S. Clark of the Carnegie Institute, John P. F. Kennedy, president of the New York & New England railroad, and Frederick J. Hillman, president of the National Industrial conference board, are to speak.

Bright, Sears & Co.,  
WYMAN'S EXCHANGE  
Bankers and Brokers  
SECOND FLOOR

## BIG NAVAL DEMONSTRATION TO MARK TAKING OVER OF DANISH WEST INDIES



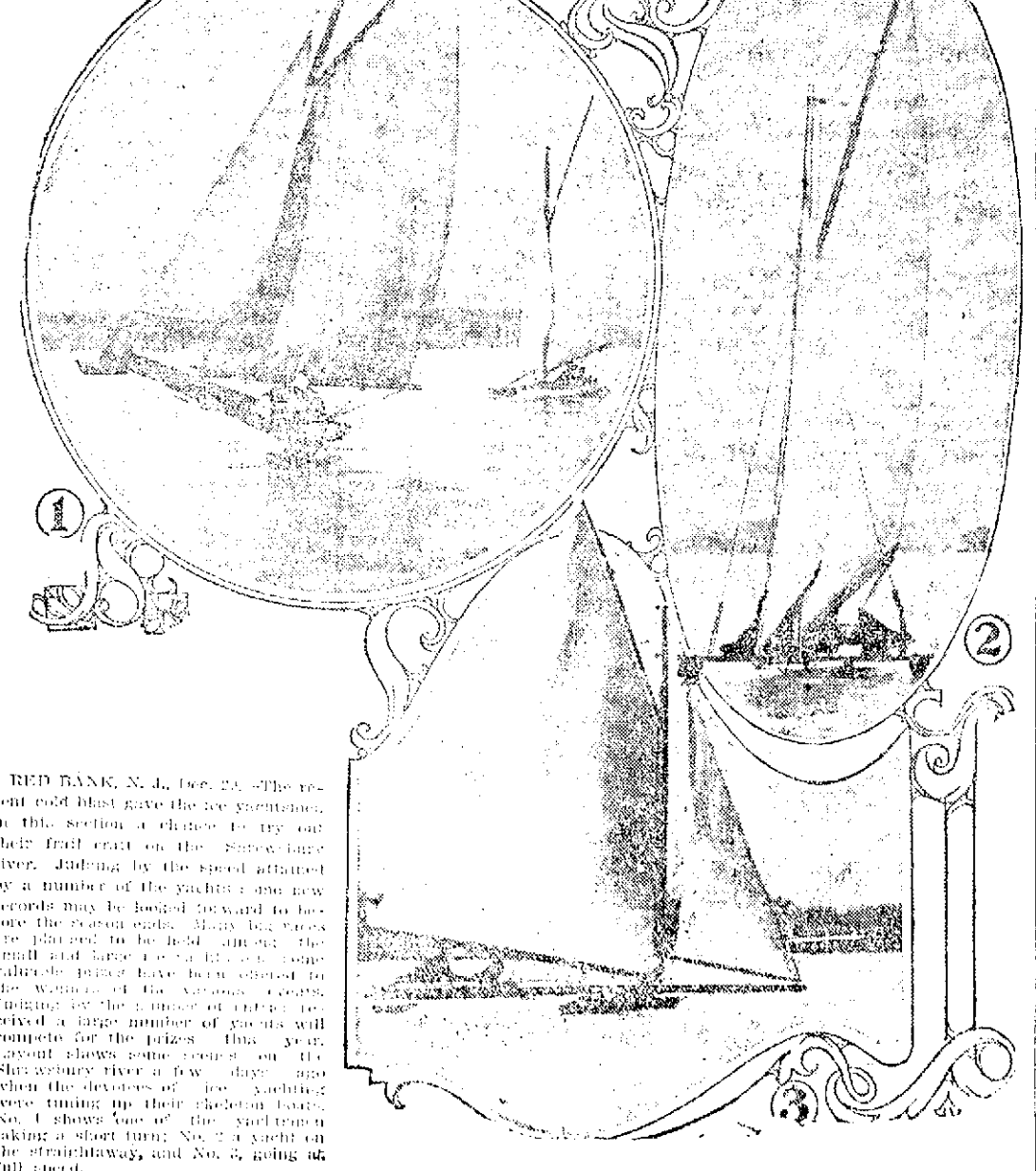
Plans for a great naval demonstration to celebrate the American acquisition of the Danish West Indies are being considered by state and navy department officials. Probably the entire Atlantic fleet, headed by the flagship Pennsylvania (No. 4 in the pictures) and commanded by Admiral Mayo (No. 11, will be ordered to St. Thomas (No. 3), the long sought naval base, to participate in the celebration.

Minister Bruun of Denmark formally advised the state department that the treaty for the sale of the islands had been approved by King Christian and would be dispatched from Copenhagen on Dec. 29. It should reach here two weeks later for Secretary Lansing's signature.

The Atlantic fleet will mobilize at Guantanamo, Cuba, for winter maneuvers in January, and will be reviewed there by Assistant Secretary of the Navy Franklin D. Roosevelt (No. 2 in pictures). Mr. Roosevelt, who will be on his way to inspect the naval forces in Haiti and San Domingo, may take charge of the ceremonies at St. Thomas.

From host of Germany that their nation-

## ICE YACHTSMEN ON SHREWSBURY, NEW JERSEY, TUNING UP SKELETON CRAFT FOR BIG EVENT



RED BANK, N. J., Dec. 28.—The recent cold blast gave the ice yachtsmen in this section a chance to try out their craft on the Shrewsbury river. Judging by the speed attained by a number of the yachts, and new records may be looked forward to before the season ends. Many ice yachts are planned to be held, and the small and large ice yachts, some of which have been ordered to the West of the Atlantic coast, are expected to arrive here in the near future.

A large number of yachts will compete for the prizes this year. Layout shows some of the yachts, and when the devices of ice yachting were tuning up their skeleton boats. No. 1 shows one of the yachtsmen taking a short turn. No. 2 is a yacht on the straightaway, and No. 3, going at full speed.

## TWO DIRECTORS OF THE B. & M. TESTIFY

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Two more directors of the Boston & Maine railroad, Charles Sumner Cook of Portland, Me., and Samuel Cary of this city, testified at the reorganization hearings in the federal court today that in their opinion reorganization was necessary to insure financial stability of the property.

Mr. Cary, who is a member of the finance committee of the road, asserted that the Boston & Maine as at present constituted could never earn 5 per cent. on its common stock. If it had not been for the present war, he said, the road would have been in the hands of receivers long ago. The great difficulty was the structure erected on the leased lines. So far as the leases themselves were concerned, he thought they were fair, as they had been made by honorable men.

His willingness to compromise the Hampton railroad's claim against the Boston & Maine, he explained, was based on the fact that he felt the Hampton case were put into court nobody knew when it would get out, and meantime it would prevent reorganization.

The proposed plan of reorganization in his opinion would bring about dividends on the common stock within ten years. Without reorganization he was unable to see any chance for a dividend.

As the representative of between 4000 and 5000 shares of Boston & Maine common stock, as counsel and trustee, Mr. Cook said he favored reorganization because he thought it would put his stock on a dividend paying basis. He felt that the advantages from reorganization were superior to any disadvantages that might come from a compromise of the Hampton or other claims.

## INTERNATIONAL TRADE AGREEMENT CONGRESS

REP. HULL URGES ADOPTION OF  
PROVISION IN ANY PEACE  
TREATY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Representative Hull of Tennessee declared in a statement issued today that neutral nations should exact their influence to secure the adoption in any peace treaty that may be negotiated between the belligerent powers, of a provision for an international trade agreement congress.

Mr. Hull announced his intention to introduce a resolution in the house embodying his idea. He believes that such an agreement is vital to the maintenance of peaceful relations between the powers because of the rivalries and bitter economic strife in which retaliation and discrimination have been the chief weapons.

"The congress," said Mr. Hull, "would consider all international trade methods, practices and policies which are calculated to create dangerous and destructive commercial controversies or fierce economic wars, and to formulate an agreement to eliminate and discourage to the fullest extent possible the dangerous possibilities of such economic warfare and to promote fair and friendly trade relations among all the nations."

## OPPOSES COMPULSORY SOCIAL INSURANCE

PRES. LOFT CHARACTERIZES IT AS  
A "CONDITION OF COMPLETE  
SOCIALISM"

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—A "condition of complete socialism" was the characterization of compulsory social insurance made here today by Edson S. Loft, president of the United States Casualty Co., in opposing such a system of insurance in an address before the social and economic section of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Compulsory insurance, he said, is "the newest advertisement of the reformers for revenue only and the latest device of some politicians to shine as philanthropists while some one else pays for the lustre."

Speaking on the mission of life insurance "to combat improvidence," E. E. Hitchcock, commissioner of the Equitable Life Assurance society said that the American people have taken more life insurance than all other nations combined. However, he said, this country is carrying the "sin of extravagance to unheard of extremes." Thirty per cent. of the money annually spent for intoxicating drinks, tobacco, jewelry and confectionery would give every married woman in the United States, rich and poor, \$200 of life insurance protection, he said. "Since organization American life companies have paid four billion dollars in death claims. This would give 800 widows and orphans three meals a day for 20 years."

## JILTED CLERK FIRES THREE SHOTS AT GIRL

WORCESTER, Dec. 28.—His love spurned after a courtship of many months, Bernard Loughman, a Worcester clerk, attempted to shoot 20-year old Elvira Arnerberg, a stenographer, on the street here last night. The girl was saved by William E. Quinn of 24 Benedict street, a fellow employee, who was walking home with her. Three shots were fired.

Loughman escaped, and a search is being made for him.

The attempted murder came as a sequel to a meeting between Miss Arnerberg and Loughman Tuesday night at which the young woman informed Loughman that he must cease his attentions. He threatened her life then. Miss Arnerberg told the police last night.

## LOWELL MAN HELD FOR THE GRAND JURY

Kostas Kanakores, the Lowell man arrested by Officer Cookin of Chelsea, Tuesday, was arraigned before Judge Warren H. Atwood in the Ayer district court today charged with robbing Carl Canton of Graniteville of \$24. After a brief hearing probable cause was found and Kanakores was held in \$1000 bonds for the Middlesex county grand jury.

A guilty plea was entered. Canton told the story of being followed on the electric cars from a Mid-dex street station, to Graniteville where he was knocked down and robbed of his wallet. He positively identified Kanakores as his assailant, officer Cookin stating Kanakores was a bartender from the station also testified.

## CHARLIE KILCHNER

Charlie Kilchner, former manager of the Lowell baseball team, shows that he has not forgotten his friends in this city and sends his wishes for a "Happy New Year" to the Sun and its readers. A New Year's card was received today from Myerstown, Pa., where the popular baseball man is spending the winter. Lowell baseball fans and all others who met Mr. Kilchner during his stay here will be unanimous in returning the wish.

## ROADS AND UNIONS CON- FER ON ADAMSON LAW

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The national conference committee of railroad managers and representatives of the four brotherhoods of railroad employees gathered here today for their conference relative to the application of the Adamson law in the event that it is held constitutional by the United States supreme court. Through an agreement between Attorney General Gregory and the railroad attorneys, the effectiveness of the Adamson law has been suspended pending the coming of the test suit. Therefore on Jan. 1, the employees will continue their work without any immediate benefits from the law which was to have gone into operation on that day.

The railroads, it is understood, will not withdraw the suit or permit anything to halt the decision of the court. It was said also that the railroad managers would decline to enter into any alliance with the unions in return for their support in the effort to defeat President Wilson's proposed policy of compulsory investigation of labor disputes. The railroads will also decline, it was stated, to co-operate in any plan to have the Adamson law repealed.

A possible outcome of today's conference was the appointment of a joint board to determine the operation of the law if its constitutionality is established.

CONFERENCE ADJOURNS  
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Resumption of the conference here today between representatives of the railroads and the employees' brotherhoods was quickly terminated. The reason was understood to be that the conference committee of railroad managers sought to apply the recent switchmen's arbitration award to the present controversy over the Adamson act.

The conference had been in session less than two hours when an adjournment was taken and no announcement was made by either side as to whether future meetings would be held. The brotherhood chiefs were obviously disturbed when the session ended. Neither side would be quoted as to what had taken place.

It was learned, however, that the roads suggested that the dispute between them over the application of the Adamson act, if upheld by the supreme court, be settled on the basis of the switchmen's award, which the railroad managers held gave the switchmen on the road involved nine hours pay for eight hours of work.

Representatives of the brotherhoods, it was asserted, declined point blank to accept a settlement on such a basis.

It was understood that during the conference today the brotherhoods suggested the creation of a federal commission representing both sides which would consider and settle arbitrarily all future disputes regardless of whether or not the Adamson act was declared constitutional. The proposal was not given consideration, however, it was stated, in view of the failure of the conference to agree on how the act ought to be worked out.

The conference committee of railroad managers went into conference later today after announcing that a statement on behalf of the roads would be made tonight.

William G. Lee announced that he and William S. Stone, chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, had purchased tickets for their homes in the west.

## CALLS LETTER FORGERY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—German Cataboris, former minister of interior of Greece, now representing the Venizelos provisional government in this country, today declared a published letter attributed to former Premier Venizelos extolling foreign efforts to bring Greece into the war on the side of the allies to be a forgery.

## CAR SHORTAGE SITUATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Representatives of railroads throughout the country today appeared before the interstate commerce commission to show cause why the commission should not take into its own hands the car shortage situation. The situation dealt with by the roads themselves and issue drastic orders to relieve congestion.

The order which the commission apparently is prepared to issue unless the roads show cause why it should not, would require the roads to return to connecting lines all foreign cars on their tracks after unloading. Heretofore the railroads have endeavored to cope with the situation by requiring roads in the east, where the congestion is greater, to return to connecting lines monthly a larger number of foreign cars than received.

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## HELPING THE POOR OF THE CITY ONE KILLED, FOUR COMMISSIONER HURT IN WRECK OF VEHICLES

Wonderful Improvements at the Chelmsford Street Hospital

Acute Diseases of Medical and Surgical Character Handled There



DR. M. A. TIGHE, City Physician.

A reporter for The Sun visited the Chelmsford street hospital yesterday for the purpose of looking the institution over and to find out something definite relative to certain improvements and developments along the surgical line, for which the mayor and others had complimented the city physician, Dr. M. A. Tighe. To say that the reporter was very much impressed by what he saw would be putting it mildly.

The average citizen is not aware of what compelling human interest is awakened by a visit to this comparatively little known and little appreciated institution. The reporter's visit, as heretofore intimated, was provoked by a rumor that certain things of considerable magnitude were being done at this hospital. He went to investigate as to whether the rumor or report was founded on fact.

The average citizen looks upon the Chelmsford street hospital as a place where the old and chronically infirm might go to pass their declining years. It still serves this purpose and serves it well. But the hospital no longer limits its scope. It has set itself with great success to the handling of acute diseases of both a medical and surgical character.

### Surgical Operations

The development of the surgical work has been remarkable. Surgical operations that were never done there before are now being successfully performed and conditions are all that could be desired at any hospital. The Chelmsford street hospital is as clean as the proverbial new pin and those in charge make it as pleasant and comfortable as possible for the inmates. There are those who are hard to please but despite all the suffering from sickness, old age and infirmities, there are many happy faces at the Chelmsford street hospital.

Besides having an intensely humane interest in his work at the hospital, Dr. Tighe is also interested from the

scientific standpoint. He says poverty is no disgrace and believes there is nothing too good for the poor of the city. That is why he determined to develop the surgical side of the hospital business. He suggests, too, that if one wants to argue from the mercenary standpoint, the argument will but furnish further proof that the hospital should provide facilities for performing the most delicate and difficult operations. The man or woman at the hospital is non-productive while at the hospital and the quicker that man and woman are made well the quicker they will become self-supporting.

As The Sun reporter passed through the wards many interesting cases were pointed out to him. Near a window sat a young woman convalescent from an operation for appendicitis. There a patient sitting up for the first time following the removal of an abdominal tumor, there a child completely recovered from a serious operation on the chest and there a woman lately operated on for gall stones.

As the reporter passed to the nursery he saw a little deformed mother happy in the possession of her plump, easy baby which came into the world by means of the difficult and famous Caesarian section operation.

### High Pressure Sterilizer

A complete up-to-date high pressure sterilizer and other surgical equipment have been installed during the last

Engineer Crushed to Death as Locomotives Crash in Dorchester

Passenger Engine Overturned—Fast Freight Locomotive Ditched

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Henry L. Stearns of Ocean Avenue, New London, Ct., for 20 years a freight engineer in the employ of the New Haven railroad, was crushed beneath his own engine and instantly killed late yesterday afternoon and four other trainmen were severely hurt when the freight train which he was driving derailed at the passenger station, rolled down a steep embankment and turned over.

William A. Boyle of 242-1-2 Broadway, South Boston, engineer of the passenger locomotive, jumped with the crash, sustaining a broken left leg. His fireman, H. L. Friedman, who also jumped, was severely bruised. W. A. Braun of Groton, Ct., fireman of the freight engine, received abrasions of the left arm and leg, and Edward L. Sharp, of Providence, the forward brakeman, was scalded by escaping steam from a severed hose.

Carried Daily Load of Fish The freight train, which is known as the "Flying Fisherman," is the fastest passenger locomotive in the New Haven road, and makes a nightly run from Boston to Harlem River, N. Y., loaded with fish.

The local, which runs from the South station to Dorchester, had uncoupled its engine, and the latter had entered a crossover to the outward express track, preparatory to coupling to the other end of the train for the run back to Boston.

As the locomotive cleared the crossover switch the freight engine struck a glancing blow, rebounded and rolled down the embankment. Stearns was caught beneath the mass of steel, his head protruding from the wreck. The passenger locomotive was thrown off its track, as was the first car of the freight train.

Immediately news was received of the accident, special wires were strung between the scene of the wreck and the company's offices in Boston and the work of wrecking was directed from headquarters. Ladder 26 and other fire engines arrived on the scene a few moments later and extinguished fires that had started in both engines. Meanwhile, Miss Comp, chief operator of the telephone exchange, set a staff of six at work calling physicians to the wreck. Several responded.

All traffic on the line as far out as Revereville was suspended for the entire night. Stearns' body had not been extricated from the wreck at midnight.

The night of all nights, Azen, tonight, GERMAN SUBMARINE MAIL RATES ANNOUNCED

THE RATES ON DEUTSCHLAND AND NISTER SHIPS RECALL DAYS OF FORTY-NINERS

BERLIN, Dec. 28, via London, Dec. 28.—The merchant submarine Deutschland and her sister ship, the Nister, on return voyages to the United States, will sail at rates recalling those of the trans-continental post in the days of the fortyniners. A special charge of two marks for a postcard or letter will be levied. In addition to the regular international rates, a special charge will be made for each further 20 grams up to a maximum weight of 60 grams. As letters sent by the ordinary route take many months to reach, six months being not unusual, it is expected that the submarine post will be in heavy demand.

peace and the strengthening of it is being secured. The reporter's visit was a most interesting and profitable one. The right of a citizen to a remarkable advance in this institution has made. The credit for this development belongs to Dr. M. A. Tighe, the physician in charge. He has labored long and late, holding to his post, much stand of medical and surgical skill.

In conversation with Dr. Tighe in his office in Wyman's Exchange, this morning, the reporter who had visited the Chelmsford street hospital last night, learned that the physician has been working at the Chelmsford street hospital, the station, however, declined to accept the whole credit.

Point of the City Some of Mayor O'Donnell's ideas, he said, "has been to have the Chelmsford street hospital on such a plane of excellence that the poor of the city will not mind in it, where they may obtain the best of care and treatment, and that their relatives and friends may be comforted as soon as possible. "Whatever degree of progress and work has obtained is not due to me alone, but to the combined efforts of all concerned. Mayor O'Donnell has always been sympathetic. The good men and women at the hospital have always been eager in their cooperation. "To this team-work we must credit whatever good has been accomplished. I have also benefited by the advice and assistance of my colleagues in the medical profession."

Bill for New Craft Finds Its Way to Legislative Hopper

State Boards and Commissions Slow Filing Their Annual Reports

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 28.—Although every state board and commission is required by law to file with the secretary of the commonwealth on or before the first Wednesday in January such parts of its annual report as contain recommendations or suggestions for legislative action, only three of the more than one hundred boards in the state have thus far communicated with the secretary of state in regard to the matter. These are the trustees of the Foxboro and Norfolk state hospitals, and of the state library.

Of late years there has been an increasing tendency on the part of state boards to ignore this law, and in an effort to correct the evil Secretary Langtry sent to each one of them Dec. 1 a letter calling attention to the law. Up to the present time, however, there has been no indication of activity as a result.

Bills for the consideration of the general court continue to pour into the legislative hopper, however. Today's quota included bills to reorganize the public service and gas and electric light commissions, and to create the office of commissioner of vehicles.

The latter bill, which will be of interest to all motorists, provides that the governor shall appoint a citizen to serve as commissioner of vehicles, at an annual salary of \$500, and with a three-year term of office. To him are to be transferred all the powers and duties of the highway commission with respect to the registration of motor vehicles, licensing the operators thereof, and general supervision of motor vehicles.

He is permitted to establish, with the approval of the governor and council, rules and regulations for the control of vehicles and operation thereof, and to collect from registration and licenses a fee to be set by his order, except that after paying the running expenses of his department he must give the balance to the highway commission to be used in the construction, maintenance and repair of state highways.

The other bill provides for a new public service commission of seven members to be appointed by the governor, one of the members shall be designated by the governor as chairman, and another as secretary. The chairman is to be paid \$500 per year, and each other member \$200.

There are to be four sub-commissions, each consisting of three members, and each member of the commission, except the secretary, is to serve on two of these sub-commissions. One sub-commission is to deal with all matters pertaining to the regulation of rates and fares on street railways, elevated railways and electric light and power companies, and the fourth with telephones and telegraph companies. The decision of a sub-board is to be final as to all matters coming within its jurisdiction, but on matters of great public importance the chairman of the commission may designate additional members to serve on any sub-board.

It is estimated that a saving of nearly \$100,000 in salaries of commissioners alone would be effected by the new bill, and there would be another large saving in rent, as each of the commissions which it is planned to consolidate occupies large and pretentious quarters outside the state house. The members of the present public service commission are Frederick J. MacLeod, chairman, Joseph B. Egan, John F. Bennett, Everett H. Stone and Charles A. Russell. The gas and electric light commission is made up of George R. Wood, chairman, Morris Schaaf and Solomon Levenson.

REUTERS

Joseph E. Perry Explains Many Points of Interest to All Citizens

New Tax Law for Everybody — Tax Office Established Here

Special to The Sun

A very comprehensive, instructive and interesting talk on the new state income tax law, which goes into effect Jan. 1, 1917, was given last evening in Middlesex hall by Joseph E. Perry of Boston, who will be tax collector for Middlesex county. The lecture was given under the auspices of the Lowell board of trade and was attended by about 250 men and women.

The evening's program was presided over by Robert F. Marden, who introduced J. Henry Gillette of this city as the deputy collector of this city of the Lowell office. Mr. Gillette stated his office will be on the fourth floor of the Sun building, where return blanks can be secured at any time. He also said it will be his pleasure to explain to Lowell residents any part of the law not understood.

Collector Perry was then introduced and in the course of his address he emphasized the fact that the new law includes every one. He told of the penalties to be imposed upon delinquents who neglect to file their returns by March 1. He said a feature of the new law is that it will reach nearly five billion dollars' worth of property, which heretofore has escaped taxation.

At the close of his address Mr. Perry announced he would answer any question pertaining to the new law and several of those present took advantage of the opportunity to become more familiar with the workings of this new piece of legislation.

Mr. Perry's address, summarized, is as follows:

"The new law leaves unchanged such parts of our present tax system as the local assessment of real estate, and tangible personal property, the taxation of corporations, inheritances, gifts, and the various license and similar taxes. In the future, as in the past, shares of stock in Massachusetts corporations, deposits in Massachusetts savings banks, mortgages on real estate, and the like, will continue to be taxed in the same manner as they are now. The new law taxes the income from certain classes of property, the net income from salaries, and the net profits from the purchase and sale of securities. It exempts from further taxation the property from which such taxed income is derived.

"It differs from the federal income tax in that it taxes only income from certain sources and not from all sources, and it has only flat rates instead of progressive rates, which increase with the size of the taxed income. It differs also in the details of its administration and in the method of assessing the taxable income. In the federal system, the taxpayer is required to file a return of his income, and in all other ways, it follows the federal system so far as is possible so as to cause the minimum of additional inconvenience to the taxpayer.

"The new law was designed to correct certain evils which have developed in the present system. The rate of taxation is uniform throughout the state, thereby removing the chief incentive, as far as evasion of taxes is concerned, for the wealthy people to colonize in a few towns with low tax rates. The new law is to be administered by the state in a centralized manner, removing the responsibility of assessment and collection, and removing the possibility of misunderstanding between local assessors and taxpayers, which have usually resulted in gross undervaluations and inequalities of justice. The new rates are favorable with those of surrounding states and should check the draining of our population and capital from the state. The new law substitutes just and reasonable taxation in place of evasive legislation. It puts a pre-

mium on honesty instead of deceit. It provides for compulsory returns and backs up that provision by severe penalties and by obtaining information at the source. It abandons April 1st as the sole test of taxable citizenship and taxability. Instead, the tax is measured by the income received during the entire calendar year next preceding, and is made payable every year as an inhabitant of Massachusetts at any time during the first half of the year.

"Most general interest is attached to the tax of one and one-half per cent on the excess above two thousand dollars of the net income derived from professions, employments, trade and business. The law provides in detail the method by which such net income shall be computed, and requires a return to be made by each person whose gross income exceeds two thousand dollars even though by exemptions and deductions the net may be reduced below the taxable limit. For those with dependent income the exemption may be as high as three thousand dollars.

"The same rate of tax is applied to income from annuities. "A tax of three per cent is imposed on the profits from the sale of securities, with directions for determining the amount of the profit.

"A tax of six per cent is levied on the income from bonds, shares in corporations and partnerships, money at interest and other debts due the taxpayer, with exceptions which may be stated broadly by saying that no such income is taxable which is derived from sources which heretofore have been non-taxable, except in the case of partnerships having transferable shares. Under some conditions, a small exemption may be obtained as to income from annuities and as to income taxed at the six per cent rate.

"Partnerships, minors, estates of deceased persons and in general all persons or organizations receiving taxable income are taxable, and all are entitled to the provisions relating to abatements and appeals.

"Chief interest centers in the requirement that returns must be made within the first two months of the year—1, e. g., before March first. In case of persons becoming inhabitants after March first, or by reason of absence, etc., being unable to make the return, other provisions apply.

"Returns may be made at the state house or to the income tax assessor or deputies in the district where the inhabitant lives. The division into districts, the names and office addresses of the assessors and deputies will be announced later. Blanks for the returns will be available later on application to the tax commissioner or any of his deputies.

"Returns as to real estate and tangible personal property should be made to the assessors of such city or town as heretofore, and if a taxpayer fails to make such returns, he will be obliged, in addition to his state tax, to pay

locally not less than he paid last year. "Tax bills will be sent out and the tax payable October 15, 1917. The proceeds will be distributed back to the various cities and towns and the latter are guaranteed to suffer no loss of revenue.

"The new tax is expected to reach nearly five billions of property, which heretofore escaped taxation, to produce more revenue, and to be administered at a cost of less than one per cent of the revenue produced.

Visitors, Associated hall tonight.

GOLD PIECE IN FOWL'S GIZZARD

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 28.—William Thompson, employed in a grocery at 22 Amory street, while cleaning a fowl yesterday noticed a bright substance in the gizzard, which proved to be a \$2.50 gold piece. It was a western fowl and the coin was new.

FOR 68 YEARS City Institution For Savings Never paid less than

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Its any machine (new or old), instantly converts it into an electrically operated labor saver. You require neither screws, clamps, nor bolts to attach it. Simply slip it on your machine next the hand wheel. Place the little self starter on the floor. Sit in any comfortable position. You can sew fast or slow. You regulate the speed by a slight pressure of your foot.

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SEW-E-Z is the only sewing motor used and recommended by all sewing machine makers. Thousands of dress making establishments use SEW-E-Z Electric.

You want one of these SEW-E-Zs. You can't afford to foot-pump your machine any longer. SEW-E-Z will prove a wonderful benefit to your health. You'll find SEW-E-Z just one and one-half pounds of concentrated labor saving energy. It will soon pay for itself by the extra sewing you can do and your freedom from the ailments that usually follow foot-pumping. Operates from any electric light socket.

PRICE COMPLETE ONLY \$15.00

COME IN AND LET US ARRANGE TO GIVE YOU A FREE TRIAL RIGHT IN YOUR OWN HOME

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when the Lowell Thrift Club starts on its 50 week journey.

## at MIDDLESEX TRUST CO.

MERRIMACK and PALMER STS.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON (extra time) to accommodate Mill employees

If you cannot reach us before Saturday night closing, the U. S. mail will. Send signature, address and money. We will return book.

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### Turkeys, Ducks, Geese, Chickens and Fowl

We invite our customers and the public to call and see our stock. The very best Vermont and Rhode Island stock. No cold storage or held-over goods.

WE MAKE A SPECIALTY OF POULTRY

We thank our customers and the public for their generous patronage during the year, now coming to a close, and we hope that we will be able to serve them as faithfully, and better in the coming year, than in the past. We wish you all a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

## John Street Public Market

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Fair and somewhat cold-  
er tonight; Saturday fair;  
moderate northwest winds

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## THE LOWELL SUN

7  
O'CLOCKTHE CITY COUNCIL RAISES  
NEXT YEAR'S SALARIES  
MAYOR VOTES "NO"

The salaries for the incoming gov-  
ernment were fixed this morning at  
the meeting of the municipal council  
and adopted without discussion. May-  
or O'Donnell, however, voting "no."  
There was a total increase of \$3450  
over the salaries paid last year, the  
number of officials getting the raise  
being 12.

The ordinance giving a few owners  
of jitters the right to a stand on  
Taige and Bridge streets was repealed.  
The meeting came to order shortly  
after 11 o'clock and a recess was  
taken from 11:20 to 12:10 p. m. A sec-  
ond recess was taken at 12:25 to ena-

ble the members of the council to  
take a conference with representatives  
of P. Dempsey & Co., relative to the  
value of land seized at Dummer street.  
For the Dempsey Co. appeared George  
Dempsey, P. Keyes and Lawyers Ho-  
gan and Kerwin.

## The Salary Ordinance

Commissioner Duncan introduced the  
ordinance for the fixing of salaries for  
administrative officers for the year  
1917, as follows: City clerk, \$2550; as-  
sistant city clerk, \$2000; treasurer,  
\$2700; auditor, \$2500; messenger,  
\$1200.

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ALLIES' REPLY TO  
GERMAN NOTE  
COMPLETED

LONDON, Dec. 28.—As a result of  
the conferences which have been in  
progress for several days the entente  
reply to the German note is now com-  
pleted. It could go forward today or  
tomorrow except for the necessary  
formality of transmitting it to all the  
allies before final delivery. This means  
that the delivery will be made the  
first or middle of next week, perhaps  
on Wednesday.

The delivery will be made at Paris,  
after which the communication will be  
forwarded to Germany through  
American channels. The reply is a  
very long document, much more  
lengthy than the German note. This  
point has been one of the matters of  
discussion during the conferences, the  
objection having been raised that it  
is too long and should be short and  
sharp.

But there were so many points for  
clarification and such a complete dif-  
ference of conception of the objects  
and purposes for which the two sides  
went to war that it was found desir-  
able to extend the note to considerable  
length.

The presence here of Alexandre  
Ribot, the French finance minister,  
permitted the French ministry to be  
represented during the conferences.

Unusual optimism is shown here as  
a result of the final form which the  
reply has taken, which is believed to  
be such that it will meet with satis-  
faction at Washington.

The reply to the American note will  
follow within a few days after the  
delivery of the reply to Germany.

## THE TALE OF A COAT

But for the cold weather today John  
McIntyre would be a free man. In-  
stead he is locked up in the police  
station charged with the larceny of a  
coat from Arthur Stockley. The lat-  
ter works on the construction of the  
new building near Middlesex and King  
streets and hung his coat near the  
door when he started to work this  
morning. Later McIntyre strolled by  
suffering from the cold winds which  
penetrated his light coat. Spyglass  
Stockley's coat he appropriated it to  
his own use and was wrapped up in it  
comfortably when arrested by Lieut.  
Maber and Inspector Walsh.

## IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both  
news stands of the Union station in  
Boston. Don't forget this when taking  
your train for Lowell.

If Your Furs Are Not as They  
Should Be Bring Them to

## THE FUR STORE

Repairing, remodeling, re-dyeing,  
Raw Skins Tanned and Dressed to  
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CHALIFOUX'S  
ON THE SQUARE

## THE COLOR IN TIES

You can't have failed to  
notice the somewhat wild and  
fantastic neckwear that is being  
featured this season. Have you  
thought that it was rather un-  
usual with fast dyes so scarce?  
But that is just the reason for it.  
Lack of color in clothes is being  
partly made up for by this sur-  
prising display of tie colors. And  
it's rather sensible, isn't it? We  
need colors to liven things up.  
You can't wear a tie too bright  
in color, though you can show  
taste in selection.

TELLS LAWSON  
"TO PUT UP OR  
SHUT UP"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The con-  
troversy which has followed Congress-  
man Wood's resolution for investiga-  
tion of whether any member of Pres-  
ident Wilson's official family profited  
in the stock market because of "inside  
information" on the president's peace  
notes, got into semi-official form to-  
day when Chairman Henry of the  
house rules committee telegraphed  
Thomas W. Lawson of Boston to come  
to Washington and substantiate his  
published statements that he knew of  
the so-called leak and his prediction  
that there would be another.

"Put up or shut up," said Chairman  
Henry's telegram. "Cease slandering  
and libeling congress and public of-  
ficials or make good your charges."  
Mr. Henry announced that he would  
reintroduce his bill next Tuesday to  
regulate the New York stock exchange.

"If Mr. Lawson states the truth  
about Wall street and an alleged  
leak," he said, "it conclusively shows  
that the bill introduced by me in the  
third congress to regulate the New  
York stock exchange should be speed-  
ily passed and should even be made  
more drastic."

"This short session should find a  
way to protect the American people  
against such crimes as the one just  
perpetrated by Wall street, if Mr. Law-  
son is anywhere near the truth."

OPPOSE NEW BRIDGE  
AT TYNGSBORO

Special to The Sun

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—The Middlesex  
county commissioners have filed with  
the general court a report in accord-  
ance with an act passed at the last  
session, in which they state they do  
not recommend the reconstruction of  
the Tyngsboro bridge. The recom-  
mendation is based upon a report made  
to the commission by J. R. Worcester,  
a bridge expert, in which he states that  
the bridge is in excellent condition,  
that there is absolutely no evidence  
of deterioration during the last eight  
years or since the last examination  
was made, that the bridge is perfectly  
safe if the present limits of loading  
are maintained. These limits are a  
load of five tons on four wheels or an  
average uniformly distributed load of  
50 pounds to a square foot of roadway  
surface.

The commissioners say the principal  
claim against the bridge has come  
from people living in Tyngsboro who  
contend that the lack of sidewalk  
makes the bridge dangerous for pe-  
destrians. As a result of this com-  
plaint the commissioners have pre-  
pared plans showing that a sidewalk  
six feet wide may be attached to one  
side of the bridge at a probable cost  
of not more than \$2000. Estimates for  
a new steel arch bridge, total \$102,000  
and for a concrete arch bridge \$195,-  
000.

In view of these figures the com-  
missioners believe that a new bridge  
is not required at the present time.

HOYT.

Follow the crowd to ASBO, tonight.

PUBLIC HEARING  
—ON—  
Street Car Service

Will Be Held at

CITY HALL  
On Friday, Dec. 29

At 8 p. m.

If your car service is unsatisfac-  
tory, come forward and present  
your complaint.

JAMES E. O'DONNELL,

Mayor of Lowell.

PEACE TERMS OF THE  
ENTENTE POWERS  
OUTLINED

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The Spectator de-  
votes the greater part of tomorrow's  
issue to answering President Wilson's  
question as to what are the peace terms  
of the entente allies. Briefly summa-  
rized the principal demands as outlined  
by the Spectator follow:

"The peace terms are to start from  
the status quo before the war, thus  
including the evacuation of the whole  
of northern France, Belgium and Lux-  
emburg and all lands taken from Ser-  
bia, Rumania, Russia and Montenegro.  
"Alsace-Lorraine is to be restored to  
France. The Danish province of Schlei-  
wig-Holstein is to go to Denmark and  
Posen, Polish Prussia and Austrian  
Poland are to be added to the suc-  
cessors of Poland which the czar has  
pledged to create.

"The Slavs of Bosnia, Herzegovina,

Dalmatia, Croatia, etc., are to be cre-  
ated into a new kingdom.

"Bohemia is to be an independent state.

"The Rumanian section of Transyl-  
vania is to be added to Rumania.

"The whole Austrian Tyrol, plus  
Trieste, Istria and the other portions  
of Austria which are Italian in blood  
or feeling, is to be added to Italy.

"Turkey is to yield Constantinople and  
the straits to Russia.

"The Armenians to be put under the  
Russian tutelage.

"The Arabs to be freed, while Syria,  
Asia Minor and Mesopotamia are to be  
under external protection guaranteeing  
tranquillity.

"The German colonies to remain in  
the hands of the entente. Moreover, a  
money indemnity for the ruin Germany

has done in Belgium, France, Serbia,  
Montenegro, etc.

"Regarding shipping, Germany to make  
reparation in kind for all ships of  
commerce destroyed, ton for ton, neu-  
tral shipping to be replaced only after  
all the demands of the allies have been  
satisfied.

"The German navy to be handed  
over and distributed among the entente  
nations.

"As a guarantee against future war  
the allies are to insist upon the de-  
mocratization of the German govern-  
ment.

"The Kiel canal is to be neutralized un-  
der an international non-German com-  
mission including the entente coun-  
tries, the United States and other neu-  
trals.

CANNOT BLOW  
UP SHIP IN  
CANAL

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—The Cape Cod  
canal management was restrained in an  
order issued by the federal court here  
today from blowing up the steamship  
Bay Port which sank at the western  
entrance December 13, blocking the  
canal passage. The White Oak Trans-  
portation company, owners of the ves-  
sel, contended that the accident which  
caused the sinking was due to negli-  
gence by the canal management, the  
steamer having hit an obstruction, set  
forth that plans had been made to  
destroy the Bay Port, to which the  
owners objected. A hearing was ar-  
ranged for January 2 when the ques-  
tion of a temporary injunction to re-  
place the order of restraint will be  
argued.

VILLA CAPTURES  
CAPITAL OF  
COAHUILA

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 28.—Forces  
operating under the banner of Villa  
have occupied Saltillo, the capital of  
Coahuila. It was announced here to-  
day by Villa partisans.

The report was denied by Carranza  
officials.

HELD FOR USING THE  
MAILS TO DEFRAUD

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Frank A. Palmer,  
treasurer of the Golden Star Mining  
co., was held for the federal grand  
jury on a charge of using the mails  
in a scheme to defraud, after a pre-  
liminary hearing today. He furnished  
\$2500 bail. The stock of the company  
had been quoted on the local curb ex-  
change at \$1.62 a share, and later  
dropped to 12 cents. Purchasers of  
the stock were complainants.

## WANTS \$100 FOR DOG

A suit for \$100 for the loss of a Bos-  
ton terrier dog was filed before Judge  
Pickman in the local police court this  
afternoon. Aurelia Plandon, the  
plaintiff, claims that while his pet dog  
was following him to a drug store in  
Middlesex street on July 19 it was run  
over and killed by a wagon owned by  
Charles E. Walsh.

MORE NEUTRALS SUPPORT  
WILSON'S PEACE NOTE

LONDON, Dec. 28, 12:05 p. m.—The  
Scandinavian governments have sent a  
joint note to belligerents supporting the  
peace note of President Wilson.

A Reuters despatch from Copenhagen  
says the Danish, Swedish and Norwe-  
gian governments have instructed their  
legations to address to the governments  
of the belligerent countries notes in  
which the Scandinavian governments,  
adhering to the note of President Wil-  
son concerning measures to be adopted  
for facilitating a durable peace, declare  
they would consider themselves as fail-  
ing in their duty toward their respective  
peoples and toward humanity as a  
whole if they did not express their  
most profound sympathy with every ef-  
fort which may contribute toward put-  
ting an end to the suffering and losses,  
moral and material, which are ever  
growing in consequence of the war.

The three governments in conclusion  
express the hope that the initiative  
taken by President Wilson will lead  
to a result worthy of the generous  
spirit which prompted this action.

## TURKEY REPLIES TO NOTE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Turkey's  
reply to President Wilson's peace note  
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CONG. ROGERS STIRRED BY  
LANSGING'S STATEMENT

Special to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—"It  
is not evolution, but revolution," said  
Congressman John Jacob Rogers to  
The Sun correspondent today, in reply  
to a question as to why he wrote that  
questioning letter to Secretary of  
State Lansing. "There was no other  
way of making the issue clear out  
than by asking direct questions. I do  
not want it assumed that my letter  
was one of criticism. It was designed  
to clear the importance of the pending  
issue. Mr. Lansing has stated that it  
may be necessary for the United States  
to modify the traditional policy enun-  
ciated by Washington and Jefferson,  
of 'avoiding entangling foreign alli-  
ances.' I of course cannot presume to  
say that Mr. Lansing is right or is  
wrong. I think, however, that we can  
all, as patriotic citizens, consider what  
a revolutionary departure Mr. Lan-  
sing's suggestion entails. In this con-  
nection it is interesting to refer to the  
work by Mr. Lansing's father-in-law,  
former Secretary of State Foster. In  
"A Century of American Diplomacy,"  
referring to an alliance with France  
made in 1778, less than three years  
after Lexington and Concord, Mr. Fos-  
ter says: 'This treaty has importance  
and interest in that it was the first  
celebrated by the new nation; but it  
has the added importance and interest  
that it was both the first and only  
treaty of alliance ever negotiated by  
this country. Its subsequent history  
and early abrogation or repudiation  
made of it a real beacon of warn-  
ing against similar conventions in  
the future.' Of course such an alli-  
ance as contemplated by Mr. Lansing  
might readily entail questions involv-  
ing the conduct of South American  
countries. If it did, we should at once  
be confronted with the necessity of

casting off the alliance or abandoning  
the Monroe doctrine. Either horn of  
the dilemma might easily be exceed-  
ingly uncomfortable.

Mr. Foster, speaking of the Clayton-  
Bulwer treaty, made with England in  
1850 and designed to promote the con-  
struction of an inter-ocean canal across  
the Central American isthmus, says:  
"The treaty marks the most serious  
mistake in our diplomatic history and  
is the single instance since its an-  
nouncement in 1822 of a tragic dis-  
avowal or disregard of the Monroe  
doctrine by the admission of Great  
Britain to an equal participation in the  
protection and control of a great  
American enterprise. The wisdom of  
this doctrine is most signally illus-  
trated in the effort of this single disavow-  
al of the heated discussions and the em-  
barrassment which this treaty has  
brought to the government and from  
which it still suffers."

"It will be noted," added Mr. Rogers,  
"that Mr. Lansing's statement im-  
plies that there is a prospect that  
we may embark upon a policy of al-  
liances with European nations with-  
out the consent of even the senate. It  
is superfluous to point out the enor-  
mous power, perhaps exercised secretly,  
and certainly without any check  
of any kind, which this policy puts  
into the hands of the administration.  
I have no wish to criticize Mr. Lan-  
sing nor to embarrass his wholly ad-  
mirable anxiety for peace, yet I think  
that a reference to our history as set  
forth in the pages of his father-in-  
law's book may well be suggestive and  
illuminating."

## Parting of Ways

"In my judgment we are at the part-  
ing of the ways. Either we are to  
pursue the traditional policy of iso-  
lation, or we are to throw overboard  
the counsels of Washington and Jef-  
ferson, the wisdom of which our his-  
tory has many times abundantly  
proved. I do not say which course  
is right. The world has turned upside  
down and it may be that our policies  
must be greatly modified accordingly,  
but I do say that the determination  
is a vastly important one, that the  
people of the country should not drift  
almost unwittingly into it, but should  
face the future squarely and resolute-  
ly."

As a member of the house commit-  
tee on foreign relations the attitude  
taken by Mr. Rogers has special im-  
portance and will carry much weight.

RICHARDS.

HEARD SMALL SAY TO WIFE  
"IF YOU OPEN YOUR  
MOUTH I'LL KILL YOU"

OSSEEP, N. H., Dec. 28.—The joint  
insurance policy for \$20,000, which be-  
came payable to Frederick L. Small on  
the death of his wife, was obtained at  
his repeated request and after an ap-  
plication in which he had signed his  
wife's name, it was developed by tes-  
timony today at the trial of Small for  
the murder of his wife in their home  
at Mountainview on Sept. 25.

The prosecution at the forenoon ses-  
sion also introduced further evidence  
of an alleged threat by Small to kill  
his wife, George Kennett who drove  
Small from his home to the railroad  
station several hours before the fire  
was discovered, testified that the de-  
fendant turned toward the house and  
said: "Goodbye" as they were about  
to leave, although no one was visible  
there. Small has contended that his  
wife was alive when he left home for  
Boston that day.

## TRIAL RESUMED

OSSEEP, N. H., Dec. 28.—Efforts of  
Frederick L. Small, who is on trial  
here for the murder of his wife, Mrs.  
Florence A. Small, at their home in  
Mountainview three months ago, to  
obtain an insurance policy for \$20,000  
covering the lives of both, was the  
subject of the first testimony at to-  
day's session.

Winfield S. Chase, formerly an in-  
surance agent, told of a telephone call  
from Small and a subsequent talk  
with him regarding such a policy  
which Small said he wished to take on  
the lives of himself and his wife.  
Chase said he had never handled life  
insurance and did not write the policy.  
He had previously arranged for  
\$5000 fire insurance on the Small home  
and its contents, he said.

Charles E. Merrill of Manchester,  
general agent for the John Hancock  
Mutual Life Insurance Co., said that  
a \$20,000 joint policy on the lives of  
Mr. and Mrs. Small had been issued by  
his company. The policy was not is-  
sued on a joint application, he tes-  
tified, because Small had signed for his  
wife as well as for himself, claiming  
that he had a right to do so. A sec-  
ond application was requested and was  
signed by Mrs. Small. On March  
12 Small paid the first annual premi-  
um of \$117.60.

The policy, Merrill testified, was  
payable to the survivor, or if both  
should die, to Small's nephew, Na-  
thaniel N. Mitchell.

On cross-examination William S.  
Matthews, counsel for the defense, asked  
Merrill whether a close exam-  
ination of Small's character and finan-  
cial standing was made by the com-  
pany. The witness did not know. Mrs.  
Small was in the next room when the  
policy was discussed and took no part  
in the conversation, he stated.

Small wrote the time as well as the  
date upon a postcard he sent to his  
wife soon after his arrival in Boston,  
according to Connor. The card was  
presented as evidence.

The witness recited the details of  
the trip to Boston with Small, includ-  
ing the telephone call by which he  
was informed of the fire in his home.  
He also told of the night automobile  
trip back to Mountainview.

Connor also testified to finding the  
body of Mrs. Small, still burning, in  
the cellar. He extinguished the flames  
while Small, who had been in the cel-  
lar with him, offered no assistance, he  
stated.

## Boston Officer Testifies

Testimony to the effect that Small  
in a Boston court room, said to his  
wife, "If you open your mouth I'll kill  
you," was given by Andrew Houghton,  
formerly a Boston police inspector.  
This was during the trial of a suit  
brought by Small against a Boston  
newspaper in 1914.

Charles Suggel, a village grocer,  
testified that on Sept. 28, the day of  
Mrs. Small's death, he delivered gro-  
ceries and five gallons of kerosene  
which he emptied into a can. This,  
he said, was about 11 o'clock in the  
morning, at which time he saw Mrs.  
Small.

George Kennett, a hotel clerk, told

of driving Small from his cottage to  
the railroad station at Mountainview  
on the afternoon of Sept. 28. He ar-  
rived at the cottage ahead of time and  
found Small waiting for him outside  
with a suit case.

## Said "Good Bye"

Kennett testified that he gave some  
mail to Small, who entered the cot-  
tage. As he came out the witness  
heard him say "Good bye," although he  
saw no one else there. He also said  
he later heard Small ask Edwin C.  
Connor to accompany him to Boston  
that day.

## Insurance Agent Called

Edwin C. Connor, a local school  
teacher and insurance agent, who was  
with Small in Boston when the latter  
was notified of the burning of his cot-  
tage, was the next witness for the  
prosecution. He was questioned re-  
garding the \$20,000 life insurance pol-  
icy, which was first mentioned, he said,  
when he visited Small in response to  
a telephone call. Asked about having  
been invited by Small to make the  
trip to Boston, the witness said the  
original plan was to go to Manchester  
and Boston the first week in October.

BOND ISSUE TO MEET U. S.  
TREASURY DEFICIT

PRES. WILSON AND LEADERS IN  
CONGRESS REACH AGREEMENT—  
\$150,000,000 DEFICIT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—President  
Wilson has tentatively agreed with ad-  
ministration leaders in congress on a  
bond issue to meet part of the treasury  
deficit which confronts the government  
for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918,  
estimated at about \$150,000,000. With  
Secretary McAdoo the president is  
working on other plans for raising ad-  
ditional revenue.

The president has pointed out that  
he believes a bond issue should be used  
only to meet temporary and emergency  
expenditures. Many of these have been  
caused by the Mexican situation.

The treasury already has authority  
by previous acts of congress to issue  
Panama bonds and about \$240,000,000  
of these are available. They would  
bear 3 per cent.

Plans for raising the other revenue  
are understood to concern the income  
tax, an inheritance tax and special taxes  
on internal revenue and imports.

GAVE \$500,000 TO N. Y.  
KINDERGARTEN ASSO.

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING AP-  
PROCIATION FOR GENEROSITY  
OF LATE JOHN D. ARCHBOLD

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The late  
John D. Archbold, who was president  
of the Standard Oil Co. of New  
Jersey, gave \$500,000 to the New York  
Kindergarten association during his  
lifetime. It developed today. The  
association announced the adoption of  
resolutions expressing appreciation for  
his generosity, which included the  
presentation of the organization's  
building in West 42nd street.

CONFESED TO KILLING  
5 MEMBERS OF FAMILY

MINDEN, Ia., Dec. 28.—Two negroes  
held as suspects in connection with  
the killing of five members of the  
family of John Nelson Reeves, nine  
miles north of here, on Christmas eve,  
have confessed, the police say. Impli-  
cating Henry Waller, a farmhand and  
neighbor of Reeves, and John Long,  
20 years old, Long declares Waller  
instigated the crime and with an axe  
killed Reeves, his wife and three chil-  
dren.

Robbery and an old feud between  
Waller and Reeves were given as the  
motives. The negroes claim they  
were forced to aid in the killings.

B. & M. ENGINE HOUSE AT  
NEWPORT, VT. BURNED

NEWPORT, Vt., Dec. 28.—The en-  
gine house of the Boston & Maine  
railroad here was destroyed by fire to-  
day and four locomotives badly dam-  
aged. The loss was estimated at up-  
wards of \$50,000.

If you want help at home or in your  
business, try The Sun "Want" column.

## HOTEL NAPOLI

Friend St., Boston

Table D'Hotel Lunch, 11 to 3.....35c

Table D'Hotel Dinner, 5 to 9.....75c

Daily Combinations.....45c

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Merchants who look for  
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progressive. The real live  
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STREETS

FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY

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JOHNSTON'S BAKERY

131 GORHAM STREET

# "THE WORLD'S MOST HEALTHFUL TOWN"

FRAMINGHAM CENTER OF TUBERCULOSIS STUDY—ALL ASKED TO AID

FRAMINGHAM, Dec. 29.—The general outline of a scheme to make this town "the world's most healthful spot" was made known yesterday when Dr. Donald B. Armstrong, the tuberculosis expert chosen by the Metropolitan Life Insurance company to make a three years' study of tuberculosis, its prevention and cure, in Framingham, gave out a digest of the program to be followed.

Dr. Armstrong has established headquarters in the local board of health offices and will be assisted in his work by a local committee. The plan includes a thorough investigation of sanitary conditions of the town, its factories and schools, business office and store surroundings and conditions in the less populated communities. A series of lectures and lectures on tuberculosis by leading experts in the country is planned.

An educational campaign will be carried on in the schools and factories and other large establishments. Thorough medical examination will be made of all residents who when they enter the town for the first time, and they may go to their own physicians or to the dispensary for this purpose. This examination is for the purpose of detecting the disease at its beginning, or where there are many cases, of bringing the heart medical treatment to the afflicted person, so as wholly to stamp out tuberculosis in at least one community in the country.

Hospital care, in state or county institutions, will be recommended and provided for in some way, and the possibility of an old school building in a rural section may be used for certain types of cases until the county's hospital, now being planned, can be completed.

To make the demonstration a success co-operation of the town physicians, laboratory, and reporting tuberculosis cases and in the making of thorough medical examinations is sought.

The town is asked to do its share by maintaining a health office with a full-time health officer, public health laboratory, tuberculosis dispensary, with a full-time nurse; medical school inspection, with a full-time school nurse and if possible, a full-time school physician; an infant welfare clinic and at least a part-time infant nurse; a district visiting nurse and open-air rooms and possibly a mental clinic in the schools. It is expected the next town meeting will provide for co-operating with Dr. Armstrong. The investigation is expected to result in the complete elimination of tuberculosis in this town and the establishment of a uniform method of treating the disease at lowest cost for other communities to follow.

Framingham is selected as the center of demonstration and study, not because there is relatively more tuberculosis here, but because of its more suitable situation both as to convenience and climate.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The election of officers of the Men's Brotherhood of the Lawrence Street P. M. church held last evening resulted as follows: President, Charles W. Moore; vice president, Clifford Grant; secretary, Charles Dorey; treasurer, Thomas England; chaplain, Guy McQuade; custodian of papers, E. N. Kimball; membership committee, Fred Erickson, Albert Gathewald and Henry Bell; secret committee, Guy McQuade, Clifford Grant and Charles Dorey; entertainment committee, Rev. John Sheehan, George Eaton and John Morahan; nominating committee, Charles W. Moore, Harry Louder and Charles Dorey; press committee, Rev. Mr. Singleton.

# NEW YEAR'S DAY IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

New Year's day will be observed in a fitting manner in the Catholic churches next Monday, not because it is a legal holiday, but because it is the great feast of the Circumcision and a holy day of obligation.

In some of the local churches masses will be celebrated at the regular Sunday hours, while in others, special hours have been or will be set for divine service. On Sunday evening regular vespers services will be held and a feature of the services will be the chanting of the "Miserere" for the year gone by and "Te Deum" for the new year.

**Immaculate Conception.**—At 6:30 o'clock Sunday evening special vespers services will be held at the Immaculate Conception church during which the "Miserere" and the "Te Deum" will be chanted. The time for Masses on Monday will be announced at all the masses Sunday.

**Sacred Heart.**—Masses at the Sacred Heart church on Monday will be celebrated at the regular Sunday hours and at the parish mass the Christmas musical program will be repeated. Vespers services will be held Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock and this will include the singing of the "Miserere" and the "Te Deum."

**St. Columba's.**—The pastor of St. Columba's church announced today that vespers services including the singing of the "Miserere" and the "Te Deum" will be held at the church Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock. The hours for the masses on Monday will be announced at all the services Sunday.

**Notre Dame de Lourdes.**

At Notre Dame de Lourdes' church masses will be celebrated on Monday at the regular Sunday hours and at the parish mass the Christmas musical program will be repeated. Prior to the opening of the high mass a special ceremony of the blessing of the bread will be held and during the service the distribution of the bread will take place. On Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock vespers services will be held with the singing of the "Miserere" and "Te Deum."

The New Year's program for the other churches has not yet been announced.

## TO FILL RESERVE BY DRAFT IN WAR TIME

MILITIA PUBLISHES REGULATIONS AGAINST EXISTENCE OF MEN WITH DEPENDENTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Every able-bodied male citizen of the United States between the ages of 18 and 45 years is held liable for service in the national guard in war time without further act by congress, by war department regulations for the government of the guard issued under the national defense act.

In a circular prepared nearly two months ago, but made public only yesterday, the militia bureau directed that where a national guard regiment is called out for war service, a reserve training battalion to fill vacancies at the front shall be organized out of the national guard reserve and by voluntary enlistment.

If for any reason, the order cannot be carried out, there shall be enough reserves or enough voluntary enlistments to organize or to keep the reserve battalions at prescribed strength in sufficient number of the unorganized

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## SHIPWRECKED CREW TWICE FACED DEATH

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—After two narrow escapes from death, once when their vessel became a derelict and again when the lifeboat from a rescuing steamer was dashed to pieces, the crew of the three-masted schooner William Thomas Moore reached here yesterday and left last night for their homes in Nova Scotia on the Plant Line steamer Halifax.

Capt. A. S. Fullerton of La Havre was in command of the Moore, and the members of the crew were W. Hardy, mate; H. Kinn, cook; L. Langgundson, boatswain; T. Smith, G. Agard and J. Scott, seamen.

Capt. Fullerton said that the schooner left La Havre, N. S., on Dec. 15, with a cargo of lumber, and with decks for Liverpool, N. Y., a terrible north-easterly gale struck the vessel, which sprang a leak and became waterlogged. The men lashed themselves to the masts and for six days suffered horrors from hunger and thirst, drenched to the skin by the seas which broke over their heads.

On Nov. 11 their distress signal was seen by a tank steamer, which the captain believed was an American. The steamer stood by for several hours, but owing to the mountains of ice in the bay, could not reach the schooner. A launch, a boat and finally she contacted on her way.

The following day the British steamer, the Lochmaddy, of the British steamship line, came along and took the crew to the wreck. After passing several barrels of oil over the side to keep the men from freezing, the Lochmaddy towed the schooner to the shore.

Returning to the steamer, the lifeboat was dashed against the steel side of the Lochmaddy and demolished. All hands were thrown into the water and Mate Dutton was knocked unconscious. The clothing kept him afloat and he was pulled out by the crew of the Lochmaddy.

The steamer had hardly resumed her passage when she struck a submerged iceberg, every blade of her propeller was broken. The Lochmaddy followed in the track of the sea for six days before her signal for assistance was seen by the American steamer Grayson, Bristol for Baltimore. The Grayson towed the Lochmaddy to the shore of the British Columbia coast.

The William Thomas Moore was built at Bath, Eng., in 1902. She was sold some time ago to the Nova Scotia Shipping company.

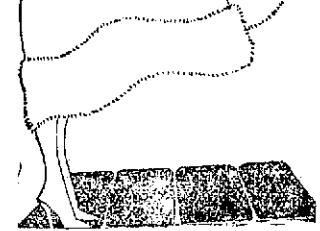
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TODAY

## Special Reductions on Our Great Clearance Sale of High Grade SUITS

For Friday and Saturday  
All Our Highest Grade Coats at Greatly Reduced Prices

Extraordinary Values at  
\$19.95, \$21.95,  
\$25.00, \$29.50,  
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## Special Mark Down on WAISTS

Closing Out of Broken Lots of Fine Waists at a Big Reduction.

WAISTS AT 69c—About 20 dozen Waists of fine lingerie. Regular 98c values. 69c

WAISTS AT \$1.98  
Silk Waists—crêpe de chine, stripe silk and pussy willow. Regular \$2.98 value. \$1.98

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Crêpe de chine—a beautiful lot of heavy quality crêpe de chine. Regular \$3.00 values. Special at \$2.39

## Attractive Specials From Our KITCHEN FURNISHING DEPARTMENT BASEMENT

75c and 98c Silverware Values. 59c  
Rogers' make—Berry spoons, gravy ladles, cream ladles, butter knife and sugar spoon sets, cold meat forks, etc. Choice, each. 59c

\$6 COFFEE PERCOLATORS — SPECIAL \$4.95  
Made of finely brushed copper, with steamed lamp for table use. Rochester and Man- ninger-Bowman make. Choice of five patterns. \$4.98

\$7.50 SILVER TEA SERVICE, \$4.49  
Made of quadruple silver plate, in rich plain colonial design. Trays, sugar, cream and spoon holders. Special at \$4.98

\$5.00 DECORATED DINNER SET \$3.98  
Spray decoration, green and pink, 46 piece set. Special, set \$3.98

\$5.50 to \$7.00 SUIT CASE or TRAVELING BAGS \$4.98  
Made of genuine cowhide. All bags leather lined, 16 to 18 sizes. Suit Cases lined with shirt fold, 21 in. size. Choice \$4.98

## PAWLUCKET CHURCH

Reception to Pastor and Family at Pawluacket Congregational Church Was Well Attended

The reception to Rev. Arthur G. Lyon and family held last evening at the parlors of the Pawluacket Congregational church was attended by a large number of parishioners and friends. The reception was the first social held since the new pastor's arrival and it proved to be a highly enjoyable one. The parlors were prettily decorated.

In the receiving line were Rev. Mr. Lyon, Mrs. Lyon, Miss Rose M. Lyon, Miss Arthur G. Lyon, Jr., and Everett S. Lyon, who is a student at Bates Theological seminary, also Mr. Atkinson, Yarnum and the deacons of the church and their wives.

The ushers were George B. Tanner, Leander E. Gault, James Grant, Lewis A. Putnam, Merrill Morris and Stanley L. Garrison.

At the end of the table Mrs. Thomas Varnum and Mrs. James McKinley Flaherty, Mrs. J. E. Varnum, had charge of the refreshments and the following young ladies assisted in serving: Alice Williams, Elizabeth Willard, Hope Fadden, Ruth Carter, Marion Garnett, Margaret Douglas, Bertha Douglas, Helen Goodrich and Molly Varnum. Mrs. Lorenzo Ayer had general charge of the arrangements.

Music was furnished by the Lenox Ladies' orchestra.

## BECOMES FITCHBURG MAYOR

FITCHBURG, Dec. 29.—Mayor-Elect Frank H. Pass will take the oath of office on Monday despite his being a holiday, as the charter provided that the incoming mayor should take the oath on that day. The reception to the new mayor will be held at the city hall on Monday morning, when he will also make known his appointments.

DOCTORS' FEES RAISED  
Thirty Thousand in Milford, Hope- dale and Upton Must Pay \$150 For Each After Jan. 1.

MILFORD, Dec. 29.—The physicians practicing in Milford, Hope-dale and Upton yesterday at a special meeting decided to increase the fee for calls at the home of patients from \$1, which has been the charge for 10 or more years, to \$150. The advance will go into effect next Monday, Jan. 1. About 30,000 people are affected by the increase.

Open an account at The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank. Interest begins Saturday, January 6th.

After the greatest season in our entire history we are ready to clear our department of every suit at tremendous reductions.

HERE IS A SALE WORTH WHILE—A SALE WITH A REASON

Here is a sale greater than all our previous suit sales—a sale you must not miss. You Know the Kind of Suits We Carry—You can come here expecting the best suit value you've ever bought and you will not be disappointed.



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## SUITS at 9.50 SUITS at 14.50

You never saw such bargains as these fur trimmed suits; regular prices \$16, \$17.95, \$19.95.

SALE PRICE 9.50 SALE PRICE 14.50

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Beautiful fur trimmed children broadcloth; regular prices \$27.50, \$29.50, \$35, \$37.50.

SALE PRICE 19.50 SALE PRICE 25.00

## THE FRENCH MAID SAYS

TAKING CARE OF YOUR CLOTHES

"Why is it that some girls look well time to time she should alter the way always when they very rarely have of wearing her hair, for the sake of any new clothes, while others are all her hair as much as for the sake of work of time. This is not a new thing, but a very old one. A French maid, being up-to-date, is another art in which this art is a requisite. It is comparatively simple to learn this and the devotion of a few minutes a day to the cause and an hour or so a week to a thorough job should be sufficient to keep up with the times. From Bank

"When it comes to afternoon and evening dresses, the wearer can do much toward keeping them fresh. To press them is not a difficult job, and to renew the lace or tulle at the neck takes a little time and patience, but it is not hard to do. A French maid is better to send to a tailor for minor repairs and pressing. Cleaning is fairly expensive, but it is worth while, because the most fitting of the woman who arranges her hair is that she fails to keep up with the times. From Bank

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Any new patient presenting this ad. at this office will receive \$1 worth of work free. This offer is made to the dentist who has the superior method of filling, extracting and extracting teeth, and places you under no obligation to have more than the dollar's worth of work done.

FULL SET \$5.00  
TEETH ..... \$7.50  
Best Set Teeth Red Rubber

No More Asked or Taken

No Better Made Elsewhere, no Matter What You Pay

EXTRAORDINARY OFFER: Wear one of our sets of Teeth for ten days, and if it is the best of that time you will return them to me and I will REFUND YOUR MONEY IN FULL.

Porcelain Fillings, \$1 to \$2  
Gold Fillings ..... \$1.00 up  
Silver and Other Fillings, 50c to \$1.00  
22k. Gold Crowns and Bridge Work

Porcelain crowns ..... \$3.00  
Broken Plates Repaired in Three Hours. Consultation and Examination Free.  
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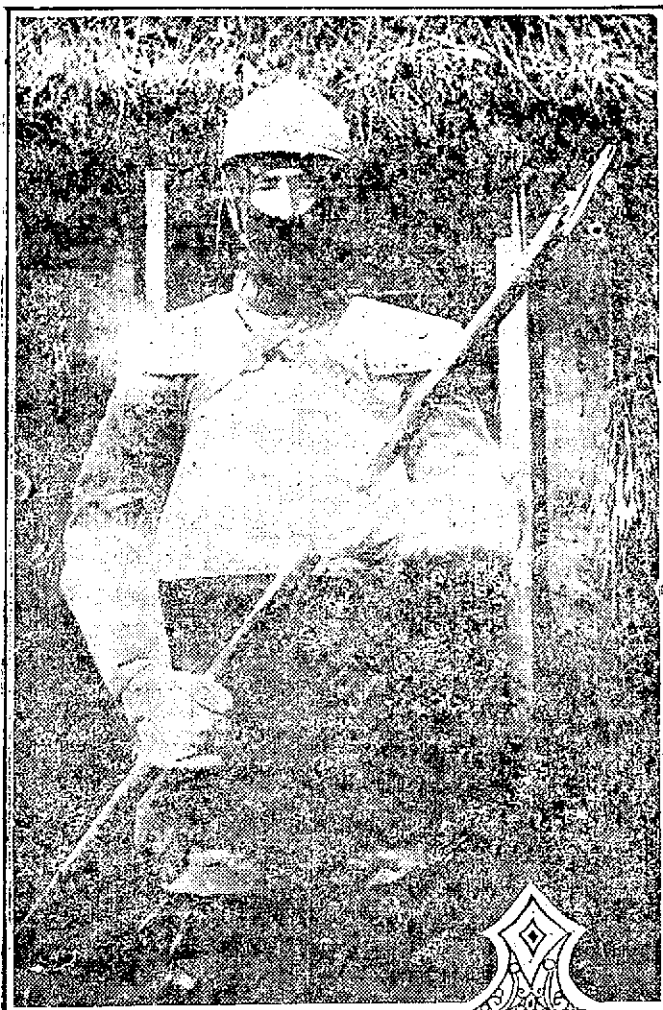
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Musterole is recommended by many doctors and nurses. Millions of jars are used annually for rheumatism, cramp, stiff neck, asthma, neuritis, pleurisy, rheumatism, bronchitis, pains and aches of the back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frost-bite, colds of the chest (if often prevents pneumonia).



## LOOKS LIKE ROMAN GLADIATOR BUT IS MODERN ITALIAN SOLDIER



HE LOOKS LIKE AN ANCIENT ROMAN WARRIOR—BUT HE ISN'T.

The great European conflict is daily producing novel methods of warfare and also methods of protecting the individual soldier. Photograph shows Italian soldier wearing steel helmet and suit of armor, giving him the appearance of a Roman gladiator. The company to which he is attached is made up of men of great courage, who are called "the company of death."

Their task is a very dangerous one. This soldier is assigned to go out in the open and cut the enemy's entanglement wire preparatory to an infantry charge. Note his long handled wire cutting implement.

## COASTERS WERE STRUCK BY AUTOMOBILE

Four persons were injured last evening when the double runner on which they were coasting collided with an automobile, owner unknown, at the corner of Mt. Washington and Pawtucket streets. The injured are: Armand John, aged 15, fractured left leg; Beatrice Crawford, aged 11, 123 School street, laceration over one eye; Mrs. Barker, 123 School street, laceration of the leg; and John Tessier, aged 22, Dempsey place, abrasions of the leg. The party was coasting down Mt. Washington street to Pawtucket and the double runner crashed into an automobile being driven along Pawtucket street. It is understood that the coasters shot out of Mt. Washington street, directly in front of the machine. The injured were taken to the Lowell Corporation hospital. All except John returned to their homes after their injuries had been attended to.

**BARS IMPORTATION OF JEWELRY**  
LONDON, Dec. —Importation of jewelry of any description, except by special license, has now been prohibited by the British government. Other goods prohibited are: gold, manufactured or unmanufactured, including gold coin and articles consisting partly of or containing gold. All manufacturers of silver other than silver watches and silver watch cases.

## Good Health

good appetite, good spirits—mean no discord in the body. To keep the organs in harmony—when there is need—use

## BEECHAM'S PILLS

Largest Sale of Any Medicine in the World. Sold everywhere. In boxes, 10c., 25c.

## TRIAL OF RAE TANZER SET FOR NEXT MONTH

Trials of Rae Tanzer and others indicted by federal grand jury as a result of her suit for \$2,000 for breach of promise against James W. Osborne on the ground that he had



RAE TANZER

counted her as "Oliver Osborne" were scheduled to begin Jan. 2.

The recent discovery of "Oliver Osborne," Charles H. Wain, has revived interest in the famous case and a large crowd is expected at the trial. The picture shows Rae Tanzer.

## MANY AMERICAN SAILORS SHIP FOR FOREIGN PORTS

NEW YORK, Dec. —The are approximately two and one half times as many American sailors now shipping for foreign ports than at any time previous to the war, according to Dr. Geo. S. Webster, secretary of the American Seamen's Friend society. He attributes this increase partly to the increased wages being given seamen and partly to the improved conditions under which they are working.

Dr. Webster says: "The past three years have marked an almost unbelievable increase in the number of Americans who are shipping as sailors. At our sailors' home on the North river waterfront, the men we had previously cared for were almost entirely British, Swedish and German. It and American born sailor should have mingled with this company, he would have been more or less conspicuous. Today we frequently lodge American sailors and they are practically all men who had not seen service in the merchant marine prior to the outbreak of the war. It is a very fair estimate to say that fully two and one half times as many Americans are now seafaring men as prior to the war. We can no longer say that the American is a 'land-lubber'."

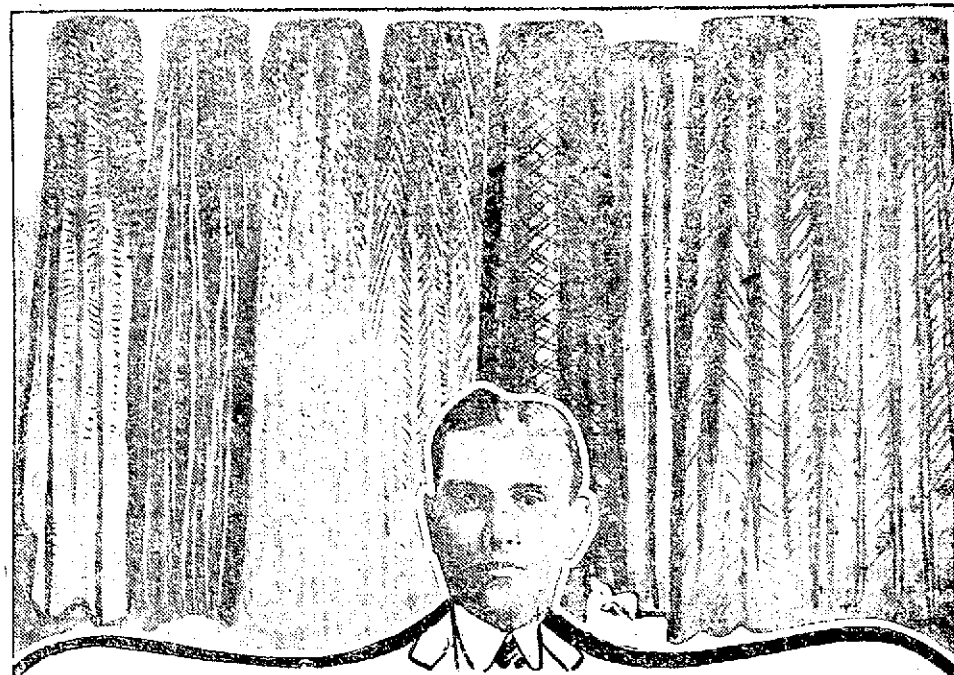
"We continue to predict that the American Seamen's Friend society that the proportion of the American-born sailors to those of other nationalities will immensely increase after the war. In case there is a slight lapse in industrial activity, the seafaring life will doubtless be of attraction to many who have not heretofore considered it."

## Today's Fashion Hint



The modified Napoleon shape is a black velvet tilted, the other side being adorned with a black velvet plume. More youthful is the pink velvet, mushroom shape, with a mole-skin band and a hair extract with vanilla thread.

# I Wish You a Happy AND Prosperous New Year



The above cut represents sample suit patterns displayed in my store today and Saturday. **Suit to order \$10.00.** This is the lowest price I have quoted on a custom made suit of clothes for the year 1916.

To wind up the most successful year in my history in a blaze of glory, and start the new year with orders to keep my help busy, I have selected all the ends in stock regardless of manufacturer's price, cost of production or labor—I mean where there is enough goods for one suit or overcoat only. I have placed them on a table in the front of my store; over one hundred styles to select from, some sold as high as \$20.00, very few less than \$15.00. An early call gets best variety.

I advise my regular customers to get in on this sale; select two or three patterns, let my help make them up in this dull season. You may take them when you are ready, say in a month or two.

**WARNING**—Next spring you will pay \$20.00 for the garment you ordinarily paid \$15.00 for.

To Wind Up the Old Year, My  
Price TODAY and SATURDAY  
**SUIT TO ORDER**

# \$10

## SPECIAL

In looking over my books and considering the volume of business done in 1916, it is with the greatest pride I esteem my prestige in the tailoring business in your city, and I may well say it is a record to well feel proud of, to see the volume of business and read the names of Lowell's most prominent business men, among them the wisest merchandizers in your city. To say I thank you from the bottom of my heart is putting it mildly. I find words inadequate to the occasion. All I can say is, I wish you all a New Year of Happiness and Prosperity.

(Signed)

JOHN HEALY, Manager, MITCHELL TAILOR.

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Women's \$22.50 Coats.....	\$15.00	Women's Serge Dresses, \$12.00 to \$14.50.....	\$8.50
Women's \$22.50 to \$27.50 Coats.....	\$18.50	Women's Tub Dresses, \$3 value.....	\$2.39
Women's Suits, values to \$35.00.....	\$18.50	Women's Skirts, \$2.98 values.....	\$1.79
Women's \$22.50 Suits.....	\$12.50	Children's Coats, \$7.50 values.....	\$5.00
Women's Skirts, values to \$14.50.....	\$7.50	Women's Skirts, \$7.00 to \$8.75 values.....	\$4.98
Women's Skirts, \$5.00 value.....	\$3.75	Women's Angora Sweaters, \$6.00 values.....	\$3.69
White Corduroy Sport Waists and Middy Blouses, \$3 value.....	\$1.00	Children's Wool Sweaters, \$2.50 values.....	\$1.69
Pussy Willow Taffeta Waists, \$3.00 values,.....	\$2.00	Georgette Crepe and Crepe de Chine Waists, \$5.00 values.....	\$3.69
Women's Wool Sweaters, \$4.00 value.....	\$2.69	Crepe de Chine Waists (samples), sizes 36 and 38, \$3.00 values.....	\$1.00
Black and Colored Petticoats, \$2.00 value.....	\$1.39	Children's Coats, \$12.50 values.....	\$7.50

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## DOGS KEEP UP THE HIGH COST OF EATING

STEPS TO "REDUCE" THE 2,000,000  
DOGS THAT INHIBIT THE BRIT-  
ISH ISLES

LONDON, Dec. —(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—Thousands of dogs are helping to keep up the high cost of eating in this country by savagely snatching from the mouths of humans, pound steaks, mutton chops and other expensive things. This was brought out in parliament the other day when it became known that steps were being taken to "reduce" the 2,000,000 dogs that inhabit the British Isles. The result was a protest from alarmed dog-lovers and a chorus of approval by dog-haters. Newspapers have been flooded with letters from both camps.

The suggestion of the government to raise the dog tax from \$1.00 to \$5.00 is one of the proposed steps to "reduce the dogs." But it is pointed out that the breeder and well-to-do owner will not be deterred by an increased tax. In favor of the dogs, it is declared, that dogs were never more useful than today. The head of a London dog home says he gets more requests for dogs than in peace time—so many women are nervous now that their husbands are in the army and they buy dogs to guard their homes. He says that to forbid dog-keeping as a form of taxation extravagance would cost more in human life than it would save in pocket money.

What really makes patriotic people feel with rage is to see fashionably dressed women with anywhere from two to a half a dozen pampered pets.

These are the dogs accused of eating the pound steaks.

"The really best dogs, like 'all the best people,'" says the Daily Mail, "eat simple food. A good house dog in a well-ordered household may be kept in perfect health on an unimpeachable diet. It is the utterly useless dog with no merit but pedigree, and no part in life but to be pampered that develops fastidious and extravagant tastes and becomes a nuisance at home and in the street, in the hotels and in railway trains."

But it appears certain that whatever other breeds may be affected by the threatened reduction of business, the British bulldog's place is secure. In defence of the bulldog it is stated that he is not an expensive luxury, that he will eat almost anything and only requires one good meal a day.

## ENTENTE POWERS FOLLOW ACTION OF GERMANY

LONDON, Dec. —(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—The prohibition of all unnecessary railroad travelling in Germany is likely to be followed shortly by similar measures in the entente countries. Such a prohibition has for some time been under consideration in England, and the board of trade a few weeks ago issued an appeal which was regarded in many circles as a preliminary to restrictive legislation. The appeal urged in emphatic terms that every person proposing to travel by train should consider whether the journey is really necessary.

The military authorities have declared that still more men must be released from the railways for army service. This will inevitably mean some reduction of work and the only economies which appear possible, according to the railway managers, are

connected with the passenger train service and in securing greater expedition on the part of shippers in handling freight traffic.

No cheap holiday fares have been announced this year for the Christmas holidays, and there will be no extension of the train services. Nevertheless the seaside resorts have been advertising extensively and are making preparations for their usual holiday crowds.

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# SAYS SUBMARINE SHELLED OPEN BOATS

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The admiralty has given to the Associated Press the following statement concerning the sinking of the British steamer Westminster, which was reported lost on Dec. 15:

"The degree of savagery the Germans have attained in their submarine policy appears to have reached a climax in the sinking of the Westminster, which was proceeding from Torre Annunziata to Port Said in ballast."

"On Dec. 14, when 150 miles from the nearest land, the Westminster was attacked by a German submarine without warning and was struck by two torpedoes in quick succession, which killed four men. The Westminster sank in four minutes."

"The officers and crew while effecting their escape in boats were shelled by the submarine at a range of 3000 yards."

"The master and chief engineer were killed outright. Their boat was sunk. The second and third engineers were not picked up; it is presumed they were drowned."

"The captain of the submarine must have satisfied himself of the effectiveness of his two torpedoes, yet he proceeded to carry out in cold blood an act of murder which could not possibly be justified by any urgency of war and can only be regarded in the eyes of the world as a further proof of the degradation of German honor and morale."

## MAKING AND REMAKING OF A FIGHTING MAN

ADDRESS AT MEETING OF COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSO. BY PROF. MCKENZIE

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—In an interesting address on "The Making and Remaking of a Fighting Man" delivered at the annual meeting of the National College Athletic Association here yesterday, R. Tait McKenzie, professor of physical education at the University of Pennsylvania and late Major R.A.M.C., England, said, in part:

"You do not need a watch to tell when it is 9 o'clock at the headquarters gymnasium at Aldershot. For 15 minutes or more groups of men in black trousers and jerseys, or officers in tennis kit, have been accumulating, and at 9 o'clock precisely a small whistle pierces the air in the position of attention. There is a dead silence and the command 'Fall in' is succeeded by a scramble out of which emerge 20 classes of officers and men, each in proportion of about 1 to 1,

neatly arranged on the floor, each with a staff instructor in charge. At the command 'Fall in' each instructor doubles to where the sergeant-major stands, and there they stand at attention to receive the day's orders. These given, they make a right turn, rise on the toes and scurry off to their respective classes. Another silence, and the sharp command 'Copy on' is followed by a babel of orders as the various groups march out of the four doors to selected places in the twenty-acre grounds that surrounded the gymnasium. For the next hour and a half each class is put through the table of exercises for the day, each exercise detailed, repeated and corrected until officer and men have the proper speed and accuracy for which they strive."

"At 10:30 the whistle breaks the classes up into groups for a brief rest. After 15 minutes the same proceeding is gone through again, but this time the men are paired off. No. 1, teaching the last hour's work to No. 2 and back again from 2 to 1, under the eye of the instructor's criticism. Again a short rest and the bayonets are fixed, and the position of 'on guard' point, and 'parry' are explained, shown and demonstrated. There is an interval for lunch and at 2:15 the classes reassemble, and now they are marched out, combined into one mass drill of exercises selected from the eight tables of the British gymnastic law. After this display the mass breaks up into its component classes, and the detailing of exercises, bayonet fighting and gymnastic games fills the time until 4 o'clock when the day's work is over. Every month a new class replaces those who have gone out into the great training camps."

"When the war broke out in August, 1914, the staff of gymnastic instructors, up to the inspector himself, dissolved overnight and rejoined their regiments, and for ten days this department had no head. The new instructor was confronted by an urgent demand for instructors, with none to send, but he at once re-enlisted men who had gone into civil life (teachers in board and private schools) in fact anyone who had had training, and he reconstructed his staff from the veterans. Soon, however, their numbers were augmented in another way. Familiar faces reappeared (men from the trenches) one with a bullet through his shoulder blade, another with part of his foot gone from shrapnel. They were not fit for active service, but their experience as teachers was invaluable."

"The new armies had tapped every stratum of English society: the ill-disciplined lordling, whose whim was his only law; the strapping just from school and college; lawyers, doctors, newspaper clerks (sent from a sedentary life); ironworkers, navies, laborers (slow of action and speech)—all had to be welded into a homogeneous body, quick and alert of action, sure of eye and hand, and above all capable of enlisting themselves, ready to obliterate themselves before a hostile aeroplane by day or a star-shell at night; able to dig like badgers even after a hard day's march; steady with the rifle; quick, powerful, and relentless with the bayonet."

"Physical training has, however, another function in the great armies that have already faced the modern machine and casualties of life at the front. The wounded man, treated first at the dressing station, then at the field station, sent back to the base hospital, and finally to a hospital at home, is frequently capable of being returned for active service. If time and care can only be given to his treatment. From the general hospital all such cases are transferred to the convalescent camp of depot, and many are put under physical training at once, and return to their regiment within six weeks, but in the slower and more grave conditions a cure must be effected in months rather than in weeks. It is these men who are sent to the command depots after a ten days' furlough, and they once again come under military discipline and their month or two of hospital life. From the standpoint of discipline, this month or two has produced great changes in most of them. Many of these cases of scared and injured limbs, stiffened joints, and other painful wounds can begin only by the greatest form of massage, given after the injured limb has been prepared by cooling baths of running water, or by the application of electricity or

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## SMALL DOCKET IN LOCAL POLICE COURT TODAY

A \$50 fine was imposed by Judge Pickman in police court this morning in the case of Charles Burgess, a Dracut milkman, who pleaded guilty to having in his possession milk to which water had been added. Milk Inspector Melvin Master told the court that of eight samples taken from Burgess' wagon by Collector Coughlin, two showed signs of having been thinned with water, amounting to about 10 per cent. The others were all right. Mr. Master said that an investigation led him to believe that the watering was not done by Burgess. He said the defendant bought several cases of milk from another dealer the day the samples were taken and it was believed that these were mixed with water. Harold Cairns received a suspended sentence after having been found guilty of larceny of meat from a store in which he was employed. Jeremiah Dorian was arrested on a complaint for failing to pay a fine imposed for operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor. He was given three more weeks to make good. Florence J. O'Neil was sent to the state farm for larceny at his own request. Thomas J. Roddy, drunkenness, was committed to three months in jail.

## BULL MOOSE PARTY DEAD IN NEW YORK STATE

LOSES OFFICIAL RECOGNITION AS  
RESULT OF FAILURE TO POLL  
NECESSARY VOTES

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Owing to the failure of the progressives in New York state to poll the necessary votes in the recent elections to enable their ticket to a place on the ballot, the party lost official recognition in this state and the doors of the progressive headquarters here—state and national, have been closed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Anti-Roosevelt and anti-Perkins Bull Moosers are to try to reorganize the progressive party at St. Louis, Washington's birthday.

It is supposed to realign national and state organizations upon the same basis and the same platform that prevailed when the party was originally formed in 1912.

The preliminary program will be formulated at a New York City conference within a few days. Former National Chairman Victor Murdock, Acting National Chairman Matthew Hale, former Vice Presidential Nominant John S. Parker and others who bolted Hughes will participate.

## LABOR UNIONS

The members of Local 39, Painters, Decorators and Paper Hangers' union, held their regular meeting in Rutland building last evening and a feature of the meeting was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: President, Bernard C. O'Neil; vice president, Mayne E. Gray; recording secretary, Roy Hutchins; financial secretary, N. L. Gendron; treasurer, Joseph A. Prescott; and trustees, George E. Field, Arthur Stockley and Charles E. Hill. Walter E. Bryant, Arthur Manning and Cornelius Collins were chosen delegates to the Trades and Labor Council, and Arthur Stockley, Thomas Maher and N. L. Gendron were elected delegates to the state convention. Business Agent John H. Murphy was endorsed and was elected for another term. A rising vote of thanks was extended him for his splendid work of the past year.

John Golden, president of the United Textile Workers of America, who spent a few days in this city in an endeavor to settle certain labor grievances existing in local mills, left the city last evening and will return to Lowell next week.

Rolling meetings were held last evening by the Wooden Shrinkers and the Wooden Fixers' unions.

## POSTMASTER GENERAL OF CANADA DEAD

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 29.—Thomas Chase Casgrain, postmaster-general of Canada, died of pneumonia here today. He was born in Detroit in 1852. For many years he was one of the Dominion's leading lawyers.

As attorney-general of the Province of Quebec from 1901 to 1905, Mr. Casgrain introduced many important reforms, including legislation for the prevention of corrupt practices at elections, an enactment which was declared to be the most advanced of its character ever adopted in Canada. He sat in parliament as a conservative for many years and was presented to the late King Edward in London in 1905. He opposed the Taft-Fraser reciprocity compact in 1911. Mr. Casgrain was appointed to the postmaster-generalship in 1915.

## THE JUVENILE COURT

There was so much business to be transacted at the weekly session of the juvenile court this morning that Judge Knight remained on the bench nearly all forenoon and called upon Associate Justice Pickman for the regular court. Most of the cases were for minor offenses.

One boy was given a hearing on a complaint of assault with a dangerous weapon. There was no evidence, however, that the lad committed the offense and his case was continued. The assault occurred a few weeks ago in a cross-street. It seems that a number of boys were in an attic of a house with an air rifle. They had plenty of shot and before they amused themselves by shooting from the attic window at different objects on the ground. A lady happened to drive by in a town and whether the boys took the vehicle for a target or shot wild is not known, but one of the shot

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FANCY CHUCK ROAST Lb. ....	11c	BOSTON BONELESS ROLLS Lb. ....	15c
		SIRLOIN TIPS, 22c Value Lb. ....	16c
		FANCY FOR POT ROAST Lb. ....	10c

## GENUINE LAMB

Fancy Cotton Tail Rabbits, 20c  
LEGS, lb. .... 20c  
CHOPS, lb. .... 23c  
FOREES, lb. .... 15c

Leg o' Mutton, lb. ....	16c	FRESH CUT Hamburg Steak Only 10c Lb.	Yearling Legs, lb. ....	13c
Heavy Southdown			FRESH SLICED LIVER, lb. ....	6c

## SHOULDERS

Corned, Mild Cured..... 15c  
Smoked, Sugar Cured.....  
Fresh and Lean.....  
Or Sweet Pickled, lb.....

"Armour's Shield" Small Hams, lb. .... 19c | Small Fresh Hams, lb. .... 18c

Fresh Killed Vermont	Fresh Killed Native	Fresh Killed Native	Fancy Roasting
TURKEYS	Chickens	FOWL	CHICKEN
From	From	From	Lb. 20c
28c to 35c Lb.	22c to 27c Lb.	22c to 25c Lb.	

RHODE ISLAND GEESE, lb. .... 23c | MARYLAND DUCKS, lb. .... 15c to 18c

Pork	Native, lb. .... 13c to 18c Loins, lb. .... 16c Fresh Head, lb. .... 11c Leaf Lard, lb. .... 19c	Veal	Small Legs, lb. 12c to 16c Fancy Loins, lb. .... 15c Forequarters, lb. .... 12c Steak, lb. .... 18c
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ROUND STEAK, lb. .... 17c | TENDERLOIN STEAK, lb. .... 27c

Pears	BIG CANNED GOODS SPECIAL	Peaches
In Syrup. Large Can. .... 10c	12c Large Can Tomatoes..... 10c Can Sugar Corn..... 10c Can String Beans..... 32c value—All 3 cans.....	15c Value, Large Can. .... 10c

Van Camp's Soups..... 3 cans 25c | Campbell's Tomato Soup..... 3 cans 25c

SALMON	Pure Lard	Home Rendered, Pound. ....	SARDINES
Alaska Pink, can. .... 10c		19c	In Oil, can. .... 31c

BEN HUR or MUSKETEER, 24 1/2 lb. paper bag. .... \$1.15	BEN HUR or MUSKETEER, 98 lb. cotton sack. .... \$4.38	BARREL IN WOOD. .... \$9.00	SNOW CRUST PASTRY, 24 1/2 lb. bag. .... \$1.15
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FRUIT	VEGETABLES	CANDIES, ETC.	DELICATESSEN
Jonathan Apples, doz. .... 25c Grapesfruit, each. .... 5c Malaga Grapes, lb. .... 15c Lemons, doz. .... 10c Sweet Oranges, doz. .... 10c Hawthorns, doz. .... 20c Peanuts, qt. .... 7c Dates, pkg. .... 10c	Celery, bunch. .... 10c Lettuce, 3 lbs. .... 10c Green Beans, pk. .... 10c Cabbage, hard lds. lb. .... 4c Yellow Turnips, lb. .... 2c Cranberries, pk. .... 10c Sweet Potatoes, 6 lbs. .... 25c Baldwin Apples, pk. 15c	Sugar Wafers, lb. .... 20c Egg Biscuits, lb. .... 10c Pretzels, lb. .... 10c Pound Cake, lb. .... 20c Mixed Candy, lb. .... 10c Chocolates, lb. .... 12c Mixed Cookies, lb. .... 15c Walnuts, lb. .... 15c	Head Cheese, lb. 12 1/2c Frankfurts, lb. .... 14c Pork Sausage, lb. .... 14c Blood Pudding, lb. .... 11c Tomato Sausage, lb. 15c Liver Sausage, lb. 12 1/2c Sauer Kraut, lb. .... 5c

BUTTER	Fancy Table Quality, Lb. ....	EGGS	Carefully Selected, Dozen Box.....
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penetrated the woman's cheek and caused a cut that required medical attention. The boy in court today denied that he shot the rifle.

Harry Bennett, a juvenile, was committed to the Lyman school last week for being guilty of carrying a revolver and given an opportunity to take back John Walker, a negro accused of murder. The police are convinced their deaths were accidental.

TWO OFFICIALS ASSASSINATED  
BLAZEBATH, N. J., Dec. 29.—John W. Davis, sheriff of Ocean county, South Carolina, and William C. Foster, superintendent of prisons of the same county, were found dead yesterday from the effects of inhaling illuminating gas. The officials had come here to take back John Walker, a negro accused of murder. The police are convinced their deaths were accidental.

ARMY DESERTERS ESCAPE  
OSWEGO, N. Y., Dec. 29.—Overpowering their guard at the point of a revolver and taking the rifle from him, three United States army privates awaiting trial for desertion at Fort Ontario, here, broke from confinement yesterday and made their escape.

MORE GOLD FROM CANADA  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29. An additional \$8,000,000 worth of gold, brought to this country by way of Canada, has been deposited at the Philadelphia mint to the amount of J. B. Morgan & Co., it was announced here today.

THE MAXIM ESTATE  
LONDON, Dec. 28. Sir Hiram Maxim, the inventor who died recently, left an estate of 32,000 pounds.

PROP. YOUNG ELECTED  
COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 28.—Prof. Albert A. Young of Cornell university was elected president of the American Statistical association today.

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1 Lot \$3.00 Corsets, odd sizes, only..... \$1.69	Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c, only..... 19c Each
1 Lot \$1.00 Brassieres, odd sizes, only..... 25c	PRONS
	1 Lot Tea Aprons, fancy colors, lace trimmed, only..... 19c
	1 Lot White Tea Aprons, only, 19c
	1 Lot Assorted 50c Aprons, only 38c



# PLAN NAVAL BILL TO CARRY \$360,000,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The Naval Appropriation bill, which will be introduced in the house next January or early in February, will carry \$360,000,000 for the fiscal year 1918. It will provide for the construction of three battle ships, one battle cruiser, three scout cruisers, 15 destroyers, four fleet submarines, 14 coast submarines, one fleet submarine tender, one destroyer tender, a total of 42, and between \$5,000,000 and \$8,000,000 for naval aeronautics.

The general board recommended for 1918 four battle ships, two battle cruisers, four scout cruisers, 20 destroyers, nine fleet submarines, 18 coast submarines, one fuel ship, one transport, one destroyer tender, one fleet submarine tender and one gunboat.

The house committee follows closely Sen. Daniels' suggestions at the hearing on Dec. 11. Mr. Daniels then reduced the estimates of the naval board.

The house committee on naval affairs is now debating two questions: First, the size of the battle ships, and second, the size and character of the submarines. The general board recommended battle ships of 42,000 tons displacement, an increase of about 8000 over the last battle ships approved.

The plans of the general board and Sen. Daniels call for the largest, fastest and most powerful battle ships believed to be in contemplation by any navy. Developments in the European war have indicated that in the future greater emphasis will be placed on speed and engineering developments have made the attainment of increased speed possible. The decision reached by the general board and Mr. Daniels, therefore, has been to give the new vessels an increase of about two knots in nominal speed over the old standard of 21 knots.

## AMUSEMENT NOTES

### B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

"The kind of vaudeville Lowell wants" is the verdict expressed with unanimity all over town this week. Just as everything as they were the first day they were shown. The appearance of the white pigeons and the sudden disappearance of the ducks are about the show at the B. F. Keith theatre. It has the splendid quality of balance—a little bit of everything exceedingly well done. The Hong Kong mysteries, with Niek Suen as the principal marauder, are literally two of the wonderful things this man accomplishes, and they are done like a streak of lightning. One of the very best of light musical acts shown here in months is offered by Martin Brennan and Ethel Powell. Opening with music from "The Girl from Utah," they run through a series of duets, solos and songs as one will hear in a long time. Mr. Brennan is a splendid looking young man, and Miss Powell wins her audience before she sings a note. "Drawing from Life," an original comedy sketch, is well played by Arthur Sullivan and Miss Ellen Scott. The team, comprising young husband and the young wife who has become disillusioned in a little play which, unfortunately, bears almost too close to nature, but has comedy spirit in it. "The Diamond Palace," a mixture of mirth and melody and dancing, is advanced by Frank Milton and the DeLong Sisters. It is a bit of everything, run off in hurricane fashion, and its sole reason for existence is that it induces laughter. Dorothy Meagher, the singing comedienne, owns an extensive repertoire of songs and has an exclusive line of gowns, which is most pleasing. Tom Gillon, monologist, is an original story teller of note and Lillian's Comedy Pats are seven good which do a host of tricks. The Pathe News pictures are always instructive.

### OPERA HOUSE

The fight of the soap trusts and the rivalry of the two sons of millionaire soap kings is the basis of the plot of the delicious comedy now running at the Opera House, one of the cleanest, best and most laughable that has ever

## Scene from "THE LAND OF INTRIGUE" First Episode of "THE SECRET KINGDOM" Featuring CHARLES RICHMAN and DOROTHY KELLY TODAY'S ATTRACTION AT THE ROYAL THEATRE

appeared at this popular playhouse. It was to Adam Richman, who went to find out the secret, go and see this play. It will cure the very worst case of the blues. One of the soap kings wages \$20,000 that his son will make a better showing in business than the son of the other soap king. What his son did, what the father did, and what the son is doing for his father's rival soap did, evolves the funniest situations imaginable. They are mixed with love and adventure while the whole performance goes with a snap that makes it a continuous laugh. Today and tomorrow are the last on which this delightful comedy can be seen at the Royal. The sign is sure to be hung out at the remaining performances.

The attraction offers the Players splendid opportunities to exploit their talents. Ivan Miller, Gladys McLeod, James J. Hayden, Yvonne Breault, Jas. T. Galloway, Millard Vincent, Frank Wright, Ernest East and other members of the company are very well in their various characters and a splendid scenic production is offered.

Sunday afternoon and night at the Opera House, a splendid program of vaudeville and picture features will be offered. There will be five good acts headed by the Honey Boy Quartet, a quartet of clever Lowell lads who can sing "to beat the band." It is a classy act and sure to make a hit with the Opera House patrons. Wiener's Animals, including dogs and monkeys is one of the best acts in the vaudeville field and it will make a tremendous hit with Lowell audiences. Lewis and Murray are a clever team of girls that sing and play several musical instruments. Cummings and Storey in songs and a piano offer 20 minutes of fun. Meulien and Adams is another classy act and it will be a winner of great applause. Seats are now selling for both performances and should be secured early and as many as possible should arrange to attend the matinee performance as many will be turned away in the evening.

Next week, starting with a special matinee on New Year's day, the Emerson Players will present "For the Man She Loved," Carl Mason's brilliant dramatic success.

### MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

No one should miss witnessing the splendid double feature program which was intensely enjoyed by the throngs of interested theatre-goers who attended the performances yesterday afternoon and evening. One of the five act headliners on this attractive bill is "The Great Direction," a pathetic and at the same time an amusing play starring the diminutive Vivian Martin, who plays the role of a little waif who is at times befriended and at other times scorned. How her faithful dog goes "in the right direction" is one of the surprises of this production. There are two noted stars, Ethel Clayton and Carole Blackwell, appear in opposite roles in their big success, "Broken Chains," the other five act super-drama also being shown at the Merrimack Square theatre during the remainder of this week. "Broken Chains" is an appealing play. It is a story of convict life and in the play a convict who has been convicted on circumstantial evidence is hired out by the girl he loves after a thrilling rescue from a prison. Many other pictures including a comedy and the Pathe News will also be shown at all performances at the Merrimack Square theatre during the remainder of this week. A special attraction for the young folks at the Saturday afternoon performance will be another episode of the "Girl from Utah" play with many thrilling western scenes.

### JEWEL THEATRE

Can you imagine the funniest comedian in the country on roller skates? This sight is afforded all lovers of Chaplin comedies today and tomorrow at the Jewel theatre. "The Rink," the seventh release of Chaplin's \$675,000 contract comes for the week-end, and it is full of the funniest situations and the most hilarious scenes ever seen in film. Chaplin's feet (in the film at least) are not quite the graceful thing to put roller skates on, and the result is hilarious. First, he goes one way, and the other skates toward the northwest, and of course disaster follows in the wake. A bunch of fun-lovers is seen rescuing Chaplin in this now screaming comedy, and the laugh will be heard all over the town. And it is positively a first show comedy—one that has never been booked by any Lowell exhibition, and which will be used a month or so from now—the film is fresh from the manufacturer's can, a "virgin film," and the only show that is out for the first time since it has been finished.

The final episode of "The Crimson Stain Mystery," with Miss Olova, Yvonne Costello and Ethel Grandie, is also shown on the same program. The story is of last completed and prizes of 13 Overland cars are given for the best stories entering during the different characters that have entertained you during the entire run of this remarkable serial production. There are many possibilities for good stories, and it's up to some one to write the best suggestion. An episode of "Liberty" in which Jack Holt, Marie Walcamp and Eddie Polo are featured is also booked. This is a play full of thrills, love, romance, adventure on the Mexican border. Many other comedies and dramas will come into a fine performance. Coming next Monday, "The Bugler of Alkiers," a Bluebird play.

### ROYAL THEATRE

The menace of foreign spies working secretly in our midst, the dangers that come to America because of her unpreparedness, the steps our country must take to enforce the Monroe Doctrine and the weakness of the defence plans of the Panama canal, are all dealt with in "Pearl of the Army," Pathe's big new serial shown every Friday and Saturday at the Royal theatre. The third episode is shown today and tomorrow—in this serial, Pearl White, of serial fame, is seen as an American Joan of Arc, who seeks to clear the name of her dead sweetheart from the taint of treasonable conspiracy. Her efforts lead her into many adventures, and every episode is full of thrills and pathos. Episodes of "Liberty" with Marie Walcamp and Eddie Polo, and also an episode of "Grant, Teller, Reporter," a series of two detective mystery dramas, featuring

ing Otto Kirkby and George Larkin, and other attractions are also to be shown on the same program. Coming soon, Mrs. Vernon Castle in the greatest of all social plays "Patricia." Watch for other big serial plays to come.

Just at the last moment the management announces that a new serial has been booked. Charles Richardson and Dorothy Kelly are to be starred in a 15-week story of adventure and romance. It is a Vitaphone production. This is an extra added attraction and remember this extraordinary production is to be shown at usual prices.

### OWL THEATRE

Alice Brady, the popular star of the speaking stage who has recently been signed to a long term contract by the World Film corporation, will appear at the Owl theatre on today and tomorrow in the great Larry Evans story of all out-doors, "Then I'll Come Back to You."

In showing this new production the producing company was taken out west, where the big timber tracts, the rushing rapids of the rivers and the scenic surroundings for miles around would lead to the story the very atmosphere the author desired for the technical and atmospheric interpretation of his story. It was necessary to seek a location where the river could be spanned by a railroad bridge, and where the spur of tracks of the railroad could be run into the very hearts of the forests.

The story of "Then I'll Come Back

to You" tells about the trials of a young engineer who is given a contract to construct a bridge within a specified length of time, and whose adversary, desiring that he should fail in the enterprise, and by the failure of which he would gain the possession of the railroad company. How the young engineer pluckily combats against his opposition and finally wins the woman he loves is not only beautifully told but artistically produced with a typical Hollywood cost, don't fail to see this production with the exquisitely popular emotional actress, Alice Brady, in the star role.

Charles Chaplin, the greatest laugh-producer in the world will also be seen at the Owl today and tomorrow in a new Mutual Chaplin comedy, "The Circus." Excellent attractions will also be shown.

### CROWN THEATRE

The feature at the Crown theatre on today and tomorrow is the Pathe old Buster play, "Arms and the Woman," produced by the Astor Film corporation, with Mary Nash as the star. Beautiful little Miss Nash is one of the famous sisters who was chosen to portray Helen in the production of "The Woman." Since then she has appeared in many star roles, and her last starring engagement on Broadway was in "The Man Who Came Back," Florence Nash, her sister, created the part of Aggie Lynch, in the

original production of "Within the Law." The engagement of "Arms and the Woman" marks Miss Nash's first appearance on the screen. Her delightful personality and her charming girlish beauty are as much in evidence as they were on the stage.

The part of Rozka, the little Hungarian girl, gives her every opportunity for her talent. The story tells how Rozka, blessed with a golden voice, comes to America with her mother and brother. Her street singing attracts the ear of David Trevor, president of the great steel works, engaged in a marriage-making mission. Trevor has Rozka's voice cultivated by a master and in a short time it gains her fame. He falls in love with the little ward and she with him, and they marry. How the declaration of war breaks home to her the fact that her husband is making arms to destroy her country and how fate makes it necessary for her to choose between her love for him and for her motherland, makes a thrilling photograph.

The master hand of George Fitzmaurice, the director, is seen throughout the production. The cast is one of the most carefully chosen ever seen in motion pictures, and the atmosphere is perfect in every detail. The original story of "Arms and the Woman" was written by Ouida Bergere, and as has been said, it marks the coming to the Crown theatre of a great picture which you are

glad is not shorter. It would be impossible to cut "Arms and the Woman" in the slightest degree. Other excellent attractions will also be presented at the Crown today and tomorrow.

### QUICK COALING RECORD

ANCON, C. Z., Dec.—A record for quick coaling has been made by the new coaling plant at the Panama canal at the Atlantic terminus. It recently delivered 420 tons of coal into the bunker of a ship and sent her about her business in 21 minutes and that too with the use of only one of the four loading towers with which the plant is equipped. This single conveyor was handling coal at the rate of 1012 tons an hour.

There is practically never a ship comes to the plant which can take coal as fast as the plant can deliver it. The conveyors have to be stopped repeatedly to allow the coal to be trimmed evenly in the bunkers. For naval purposes the plant was designed to have an overall handling capacity of 200 tons an hour for an indefinite run, and be capable of speeding up to 100 tons an hour in emergencies. Tests for this capacity have been run, and the plant has been found to exceed requirements slightly.

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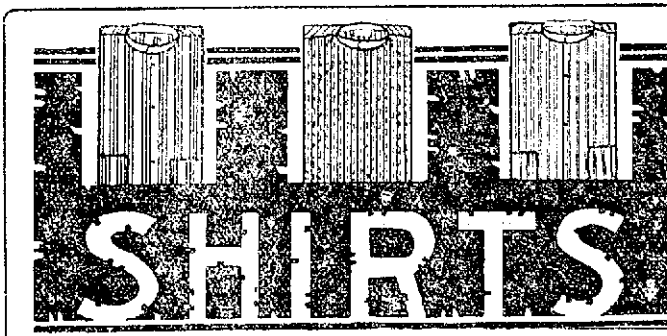
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## GERMANY'S REPLY

The official reply of Germany to President Wilson's so-called peace note is very evasive in its terms. It does not make any statement that would answer the questions asked by President Wilson, but it expresses the willingness of the Teutonic allies to state their terms in a conference with representatives of the entente allies. It further states that Germany is willing to give a confidential statement of the terms upon which she would make peace to President Wilson.

If the allies regard Germany's peace move as a mere ruse to gain some advantage or information which she could not secure otherwise, only one answer can be expected from the allies, and that will be a prompt refusal to comply with President Wilson's request.

There is much speculation as to the grounds upon which Germany will agree to end the war. Some say she will restore Belgium with certain limitations, but there is no indication that she would give Alsace and Lorraine which France will insist upon, as conditions of peace. Apparently Germany is determined to squeeze Russia as much as possible and this may explain why Russia is very emphatic in rejecting Germany's peace proposal.

Germany would set up free governments in Russian Poland and Lithuania, but those who know what happened to German Poland will not place much confidence in this offer of freedom. Originally when Poland was dismembered it was divided among Russia, Germany and Austria. Russian Poland is intact today and so is Austrian Poland, but there is no German Poland. The Poles of that portion of the original kingdom have been so completely Germanized in language and customs and so held under the iron heel of Germany that their national aspirations have been entirely stamped out. This is why the Poles who know the history of German Poland are not enthusiastic over German offers of freedom.

Germany also, it is alleged, wishes to retain her foothold in the Balkans, and to prevent Russia from acquiring control of the Dardanelles. This is a point upon which Russia is in common with her allies will insist even if it should result in carrying on the war for another year. Hence, on the general aspect of affairs there is at present but very little prospect of immediate peace.

## THE COAL PROBLEM

That is a very comprehensive and praiseworthy report submitted by the state commission appointed to investigate the high cost of living with special reference to the coal problem. It deals with the coal situation in a very intelligent manner. It solves the retailers from all blame for the high prices, and makes certain recommendations for the relief of the country wide situation which should receive the serious consideration of the federal authorities.

The chief recommendations of the commission are summarized as follows:

Complete divorce of the railroads from the business of coal mining.

Federal regulation and control of distribution and prices.

Action to prevent discrimination in the distribution of coal to different markets.

To secure the prompt return of empty coal cars and to expedite the delivery of loaded cars.

In reference to this state the commission favors an appeal to the legislature for permission to permit the maintenance of municipal coal pockets in the cities of the state.

There are certainly here many points which, if carried out, might relieve the present situation so far as rail-road congestion and control, as well as combinations to boost prices, are concerned. The trouble is, that the report emanates from a state body and while its recommendations for federal action may be ideal, there is no immediate prospect of having them adopted. The remedy must come from national sources. It is of very little use for state bodies to formulate plans for federal action unless steps be taken to have them favorably acted upon by congress.

## HEALTH INSURANCE

The subject of health insurance is to come up for action in the coming session of the general court. It is a matter that is widely discussed throughout the country and members of congress advocate action in this direction by the federal government in order to minimize the evils arising from sickness.

Health insurance has been in operation in many European countries for a good many years and where carried out in a proper way, it has proven of inestimable benefit to those insured. It has also lifted a great burden from the municipalities upon which would be thrown the cost of supporting thousands of sick people but for this form of insurance. When a family lives from hand to mouth it is necessary to have some protection of this kind as a provision against want whenever the wage earners upon whom the families depend are thrown out of employment by sickness.

In most cases where health insurance has been provided, it is conducted on the co-operative plan and is compulsory. The government collects small premiums and then provides for the payment of the necessary benefit funds in case of sickness. In some instances the premiums are deducted from the weekly wage of the employee in order to facilitate collection. The small charges thus made are barely felt by the insured but in the course of a year they are sufficient to secure insurance that will pay a reasonable benefit during illness. This form of insurance may be regarded as a step towards old age pensions. It promotes thrift and foresight, and altogether is a subject that commands itself to all the reformers who wish to promote the welfare of the toilers.

## COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE

It appears that we are going straightway towards compulsory military service. The general staff of the army is drafting a bill framed upon the Argentine system and under which 500,000 men would be trained each year, one year to be the term of service for youths over 18 years of age. It is intended to have 2,500,000 reserves subject to call in case of war, 1,000,000 of whom would be ready for immediate muster as first line troops. The scheme works beautifully on paper, but there are a great many people in this country who do not believe that compulsory service is necessary. With the ending of the war, which cannot be delayed more than another year at the most, a lasting peace will follow, during which our reserves would be unnecessary. That would make our compulsory military service look like an attempt to keep alive the spirit of war or else to intimidate the other powers.

## STREET CAR SERVICE

In the street railway service nothing provokes the public more than a departure from the time schedule. If the cars run but once an hour on any line, let it be so; but the kick comes when the car scheduled to start at a given time does not appear for fifteen, twenty or thirty minutes afterwards, while an impatient crowd stands watching and waiting for its appearance. The company has many difficulties to contend with of course, but it will promote its own interests by seeing that the cars on all lines whether scheduled to run seldom or often keep as nearly as possible to the running time. Of course no reasonable person will kick very much over a car being late in case of a storm, an accident or any cause that is unavoidable.

## FOR ACTION BY CONGRESS

Congress will have to wrestle with the problem of national prohibition and national woman suffrage at its next session. The line of battle will be drawn between those who hold that these issues should be settled by the individual states and those who assert that they are questions for federal action. What the outcome will be cannot be predicted. At the present time there are 23 states that have constitutional prohibition and 13 have equal suffrage. It is likely that both questions will receive the same treatment by congress, whether that shall be adoption or rejection. The present tendency of congress might be set down as opposed to both propositions but the test will show.

## NO DESTRUCTIVE FIRES

While many of our Massachusetts cities have had very serious fires, we have been quite fortunate in having escaped without any destructive fire. Prompt action and continued vigilance alone brought this result.

The frequency with which large Canadian convents and monasteries are burned down, should lead to better fire protection and more fire-proof construction. The loss of the Trappist monastery near Montreal might not be so remarkable but for the fact that the building was erected upon the site of a former monastery burned in 1902. Water in some parts of Canada is very scarce, but without a good water supply and sufficient pressure, no large institution of the kind can have much security against destruction by fire.

The prosperity of the National banks of the country has exceeded all bounds. The increase of over \$4,000,000,000 during two years is unprecedented.

After the republicans shall have finished fighting over the speakership, in all probability Champ Clark will be selected as his own successor.

Oh! of course somebody seeking cheap notoriety had to speak with the spirit of Professor Munsterberg.

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## Seen and Heard

Once in a great while you may meet a man who has read all of Shakespeare's plays.

Some people are so credulous that they believe everything they see in the moving pictures.

How long does it take you to look up a number in the telephone book, Mercury? Aren't you slow?

It must have been hard enough for Atlas to hold the world up, to say nothing of the flesh and the devil.

Another of the absurdities of life is that some of the writers of free verse actually expect to get paid for it.

Give a Boston boy a kingsnaps alphabet, and he will show you right away that he has a taste for letters.

Every one in the family, of course, could run the furnace a good deal better than the one who has it in charge for the time being.

If the war should come to an end, some people would have to think up another excuse to explain why they don't make a trip to Europe.

The best way to please everybody—or to come as near to it as any one can do—is to be decent, and then think only of trying to please yourself.

Are we degenerating? Are we going back? Are we less able than our ancestors? How many society girls nowadays know how to make soft soap?

When you are caught out in a sudden shower, it doesn't make any difference whether the first raindrops or the last ones are the wettest.

It is an awful bore to know somebody who was once intimately acquainted with somebody whose name is mentioned in the papers nearly every day.

After the man who has lived all his life in the country has removed to the city and lived there for three weeks, he has generally got over the habit of going down to the depot every day to see the noon express come in.

## Timber and Lumber

"Paw, is there any difference between timber and lumber?"  
"There is no necessary difference in kind, my son; they differ merely in degree or stage of development. For example, a man may be spoken of as good timber for some high office and yet represent nothing but lumber when he gets there."—Chicago Tribune.

## A Drone, and Then Some

"Do you have to put a scarecrow out in the cornfield to keep away the birds?" asked the city man.  
"Oh, no," replied the farmer, taking another pull at his pipe. "My wife's out there every day, hoeing."—Yonkers Statesman.

## Had Reform Ideas

In a place in New Jersey a town building caught fire, and the extinguishers failed to do their work. A few days later at the town meeting some citizens tried to learn the reason. After they had freely discussed the

## Followed the Flag In the Late War

A. E. Lowell of 15 Grove Street,  
Lowell, Relates Interesting  
Story

Of late years when a medical discovery is made and public tests of it are demanded so that its merits can



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be established, the person or firm to whom the invention is credited selects personally to many people, and on those selected the remedy is tried. Plant Juice has been submitted to a far more severe series of tests in that none of the cases that it has relieved has been selected, and still it has met with signal success in nearly every instance.

In Lowell it is speaking the success that has attracted it in other cities, and every day numerous testimonials are being received from local people testifying to the way they were relieved by Plant Juice. Among others is the signed testimonial of Mr. A. E. Lowell, who lives at No. 15 Grove Street, Lowell, Mass., and is one of the best known characters on the Boston & Maine R. R. having been employed by this company for the past 20 years. Mr. Lowell is a Civil War veteran, having served in Company B, 20th Maine Infantry, and his prominent in G. A. R. circles.

"I have had indigestion and dyspepsia for two or three years and was troubled with food fermentation, gas in my stomach and was all bloated and suffered agony after eating. I had headaches, dizzy spells and was constipated most of the time. My liver was torpid and sluggish, my kidneys badly affected, and I had terrible pains in my back. I never could sleep at night. I was so nervous, I heard of Plant Juice and after taking three bottles I can eat and sleep well, have no more trouble with my liver or kidneys and am able to state positively that never felt so well. I know your Plant Juice has cured me and I can recommend it to anyone."

"The Plant Juice Man is at Dows, the Druggist, in Merrimack Square, where he is daily meeting the local public, and introducing and explaining the merits of this remedy."

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subject, one of them said: "Mr. Chairman, I make a motion that the fire extinguishers be examined ten days before every fire."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

## Cost of Army on Duty

Only a rough estimate can be made of the cost of keeping 100,000 national guardsmen along the border. It has cost approximately \$10,000,000 to keep regulars for three months. This is at the rate of a little more than \$100,000 a day. Proportionately the militia would cost \$250,000 a day, due to necessary expenses in bringing their equipment up to regular army standards.

The American soldier will continue the best fed in the world—at a cost of more than 30 cents a day for each man. His rock-bottom ration a day is:

A pound of canned meat, or 12 ounces of bacon  
A pound of hard bread, more than an ounce of coffee.

Sugar and salt.  
At this time when campaigning, the commanding officer is expected to add whatever supplies money can buy.—Indianapolis News.

## An Old Journal's Fate

A few days ago an auctioneer in London offered the investing public a chance to buy the plant, subscription list and good will of one of the oldest and most famous of English newspapers. There were no buyers, not even a bid of \$50,000.

"The paper in question was the London Standard. To be sure, for some time it had been falling behind in the race for public favor. And what a fine history was behind it! Associated with it were such names as William Haselitt, Mudford, Alfred Austin, Miss Frances Power Cobbe, T. H. S. Esprit, C. A. Henry, the novelist for boys, and the famous names of Lord Kitchener, Lord Robert Cecil, later the Marquis of Salisbury. The reputation for early and detailed news long enjoyed by the Standard was aided vastly by the despatches through the American Civil War from the 'spectator' who signed 'Munich' and 'London'.

The war has faced the newspaper publishers in England with many serious problems. Various provincial journals and some weeklies have suspended. When Sweden stopped the exportation of wood pulp cuttings in 1915 was announced by several editors, being lessened in expansiveness shortly after hostilities started. Most of the ablest and most prosperous papers accept war when it comes as a challenge to their enterprise in gathering news and to their courage in dealing with prospects of lessening business.—Boston Herald.

## But Lovers Still

His hair as wintry snow is white;  
Her trembling lips are slow;  
His eyes have lost their merry light.  
Her cheeks their rosy glow.  
Her hair has not its tints of gold,  
His voice no joyous toll.  
And yet, though feeble, gray and old,  
They're faithful lovers still.

Since they were wed, on lawn andlea,  
And off across the trackless sea,  
Did swallows come and go;  
Or were the forest branches bare,  
And off in glens arrayed,  
Off did the lilies scent the air,  
The roses bloom and fade.

They've had their share of hopes and fears,  
Their share of bliss and bale,  
Sweet love has been in her ears  
A lover's tender tale.  
Full many a thorn amid the flowers  
Has lain upon their way;  
They've had their dull November hours  
As well as days of May.

But firm and true through weal and woe,  
Through change of time and scene,  
Through winter gloom, through summer's glow,  
Their faith and love have been;  
Together hand in hand they pass  
Serenely down life's hill,  
In hopes one grave in churchyard grass  
May hold them lovers still.

Magdalen Rock.

## They Do Say

That General Thaw was on duty yesterday.

That the sand gang was kept busy this week.

That many married men are passing around the cigars.

That there is nothing so disgusting as a floating stretcher.

That Walter Courtney ought to frame the mayor's letter.

That the custom of giving away costly calendars is petering out.

That this is a good time to start a 1917 Christmas savings account.

That we will soon be taking a sail down the Merrimack to the sea.

That the fellow who does the most fooling is sure to do the most talking.

That the old timers are beating the young fellows in local bowling leagues.

That a man ought not to be responsible for the fellow that another man hires.

That all the kickers should attend the public hearing on the street car service.

That a package labeled "Do not open till Christmas" was left at the postoffice Tuesday.

That a prominent local veterinary surgeon will soon join the ranks of the fencers.

That many business men are taking in "The Days of Adversity" at the Opera House this week.

That judging from the list of marriages in the Cupid did not stop working over Christmas.

That the more we see of life, the more we are convinced that labor unions are an absolute necessity.

That the members of the Greek community will have a Christmas of their own and will observe it in great style.

That considerable knowledge which will prove very beneficial was obtained at the lecture in Middlesex hall last evening.

## FINED FOR CONTEMPT

Lawyer Brennan of Pawtucket Appeals—Accused of Using Improper Language to Court

CENTRAL FALLS, Dec. 28.—In the district court yesterday James E. Brennan, a Pawtucket attorney, was adjudged guilty of contempt of court by Judge Ambrose Chiquet and fined \$15 and costs. He appealed.

During a recent trial Mr. Brennan was charged with using improper language in addressing Judge Chiquet.

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

## SEEKS APOLOGY FROM HAVERHILL POLICE CHIEF

SALEM, Dec. 28.—The city council last night unanimously adopted a resolution that Mayor Benson be asked to demand an apology from City Marshal Harrington for language uttered to Councilor Sheehan. The vote was taken on a motion made by Councilor Gilson after Mr. Sheehan had declared that the city marshal had called him a "dirty sneak" and "misérable cur."

Councilor Sheehan, speaking by special privilege, said that on Dec. 18 he discussed police affairs with Mayor Benson. The next day the city marshal, meeting him, asked why he had not talked with him (Harrington) instead of with the mayor. Mr. Sheehan said his reply was that he had talked with the head of the police department. Then it was the councilor said that Harrington retorted: "You dirty sneak, you miserable cur."

"Now, gentlemen of the city council," continued Mr. Sheehan, "I am going to ask if you are to allow the head of any department to insult a member of the council?"

Councilor Broadhead asked what Mr. Sheehan would have done. "I took up this matter with Mayor Benson today," said Sheehan, "and the mayor said he would reprimand the city marshal, but if it was up to me I would fire the city marshal."

Councilor Gilson then made the motion, which was unanimously carried.

## SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

At the meeting of Princess Lodge, No. 12, I.O.O.F. of St. George, the following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing six months:

President, Miss Ethel Northam; vice president, Mrs. Ann Tart; recording secretary, Mrs. Ann Haigh; financial secretary, Miss Grace I. Aspinall; treasurer, Mrs. Hannah M. Orrell; conductor, Mrs. Eva Stevenson; assistant conductor, Mrs. Annie Northam; inside guard, Miss Clara Hibbs; outside guard, Miss Edith Northam; trustee for 18 months, Mrs. Charlotte Taylor. The officers will be

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Severy, Kans.—"The Grippe left me in a weak, nervous, run-down condition. I was too weak to do my housework and could not sleep. After trying different medicines without benefit, Vinol restored my health, strength and appetite. Vinol is a grand medicine and every weak, nervous, run-down woman should take it."—Mrs. Geo. Findley.  
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installed at the next meeting. The lodge has donated a substantial sum of money to the Prince of Wales relief fund as a New Year's gift.

Garfield Post 120, G.A.R.

The regular meeting of James A. Garfield post, 120, G.A.R., was held Wednesday night. Commander Jund presiding. There was a good sized attendance and several committees submitted reports. The post accepted an invitation from Garfield Relief Corps to unite with them in the installation exercises on next Thursday evening.

Final arrangements were made for installing the officers of the post at this time, and all members of the post are requested to be present at this meeting. Refreshments will be served. The next regular meeting of the post will be held on Wednesday evening, January 10.

## Court General Shields

Court General Shields, Foresters of America, met last night and elected officers for the ensuing term. Considerable routine business was transacted during the early part of the evening. The following were the officers elected:

C.R. John Hanley; S.G.R. Daniel O'Leary; treasurer, J. L. McDonough; financial secretary, James H. Cox; recording secretary, W. C. Bowles; senior woodward, Patrick Carr; junior woodward, Patrick Bourke; senior beadle, Stephen Carroll; junior beadle, James E. Lang; lecturer, F. J. Mullin; trustee for three years, Patrick Reardon; physician, Dr. William M. Collins.

## Highland Council, R.A.

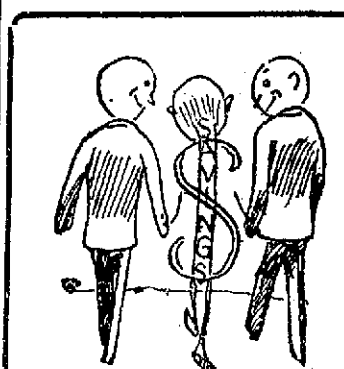
Highland council, R.A., met last night in Highland hall, with Regent Stuart presiding. Routine business was transacted and after the meeting a card party was enjoyed. Team 1 defeated Team 2, 167 to 161. The first prizes went to A. Gray and F. E. Jones, and the second prizes to R. E. Costello and A. Bagshaw.

## CHARGING FOR CHECK COLLECTIONS

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THE FEDERAL RESERVE ACT  
MANY OPPOSE REPEAL.

Special to The Sun  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—There is a movement on foot to amend the federal reserve act by restoring to banks the privilege of making charges for check collections. Under the old system there were many banks that charged as high as 25 cents on each out-of-town check. The federal reserve board now permits a charge covering the actual cost of collection, which is placed at one cent each check regardless of the amount for which the check is drawn. The movement to restore the old order of things is said to have originated with certain rural banks in the south and west, which formerly made a good income out of collections, and it is rumored that Democratic Floor Leader Claude B. King will champion the reinstatement of the old system of charges. The question of putting a limit on check charges was bitterly fought in the democratic caucus when the reserve act was being framed, and the proposed repeal of that clause comes before congress this session—if it is brought up as now expected it will be—will see the old fight renewed. Congressmen Philbrick of the 27th Massachusetts district is getting hundreds of letters protesting against the repeal of the clause. These letters come mostly from large business firms throughout the country who state that many of the former charges were exorbitant. Mr. Philbrick is a member of the committee on banking and currency and worked unrelentingly on the framing of the federal reserve act. He was strongly in favor of the present limitation and it is expected will be one of the leaders in opposing a repeal.

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## AGAINST PRIZE COURT RULINGS

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands, Dec.—Six hundred and fifty persons and firms interested in Dutch ocean commerce and shipping, including such well-known companies as the Holland-America line, have addressed a petition to Premier Cort van der Linden, asking the government to take action in regard to what are called "the unjust verdicts" of belgian prize courts. In the case of Great Britain, France, Italy and Portugal, with whom Holland has concluded arbitration treaties, it is urged that in the last resort such cases must be submitted to the permanent court of arbitration, while special arbitration arrangements must be made with other belligerent states. Further, the government is urged to request to appoint a commission of experts to make preliminary inquiry into such cases. Dutch merchants and ship owners have millions of dollars at stake in this matter.

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Fancy Chickens....35c lb.		C. & B. Dried Mint 18c bt.
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Sirloin Steak.....25c lb.		P. & C. Sardines...28c can
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## LOWELL PLANS FOR NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

New Year's day, next Monday, which was made a legal holiday at the recent state election, will be observed in a general way throughout the city of Lowell. Mills and stores and shops will be closed, as will the banks and other places of business. Elaborate programs will be carried out in the churches and there will be special attractions at the theatres.

Many clubs and families have made arrangements for the observance of the day and the hotels will have New Year's parties. The night before there will be watch night services in the churches to see the old year out and the new year in.

There is much jollification in New York on New Year's eve and a number of Lowell people who have made it a practice to go every year have either started for the big city or will leave tomorrow. A great many others will spend the New Year holiday in Canada.

In all probability there will be but one delivery of mail Monday, unless the accounts of the weather forecast and Sunday is so large that it will be found necessary to have more. Owing to the number of New Year's cards and bills which will be sent through the mail, it may be necessary to make the regular number of deliveries.

The stamp window and money order department will be kept open between

the hours of eight and ten o'clock in the morning but the general delivery window will be closed all day.

## MEET TO DISCUSS NOTE FROM CARRANZA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—What answer will be returned to Gen. Carranza's latest appeal for modifications in the protocol, signed at Atlantic City, will be determined here on Tuesday. On that day the American members of the Mexican-American joint commission will meet and consider the Mexican communication delivered yesterday to Secretary Lane by Luis Cabrera of the Mexican commission.

The Mexicans probably will be here on that day and in the event the Americans considered the Mexican reply can be given serious consideration an immediate session of the joint commission may be held.

Examined By Sec. Lane

Gen. Carranza's latest communication asking modification of the protocol covering withdrawal of American troops from Mexico was examined closely today by Secretary Lane, chairman of the American members of the

joint commission, who has summoned his colleagues to confer with him here as soon as possible.

Although the document has not been made public it was said Carranza's insistence upon the unconditional retirement of the American forces is not as strong as formerly, chiefly because of the new military situation in northern Mexico. Neither does he flatly repudiate the protocol already signed by his representatives at Atlantic City.

### VILLISTAS DEFEATED

MEXICO CITY, Mex., Dec. 28.—It is officially reported that the Villistas have suffered several severe defeats in the north during the last two days.

### 8-HOUR DAY IN MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 28.—The committee of the constitutional convention in charge of the labor article has asked permission to withdraw its report, but the convention decided to take a vote on the article as presented.

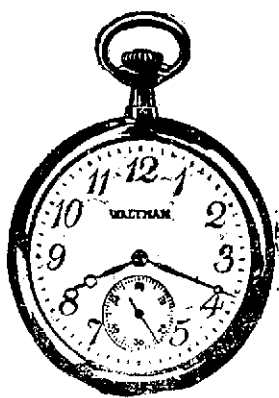
Jose Matias, in a three-hour speech, presented a statement from Gen. Carranza dealing with the question of labor and capital on the basis of the system employed at the Baldwin Locomotive works in Philadelphia and in other big plants in the United States. In the report of the committee several new features have been added to the original article, including a provision for an eight-hour day.

The convention adopted resolutions of condolence on the death of Col. Gabriel Calzada, a delegate who was killed with Gen. Toribio de Losantos when Villistas attacked a train near Torreon. The bodies of the two officers were reported to have been horribly mutilated. Similar reports have been received in regard to the majority of the constitutional officers killed in the northern fighting.

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## LOWELL MAN PRISONER IN GERMANY

The accompanying photograph of Achille Decothignies, a Lowell man, was taken in a prisoner's camp in Germany last September. The photo was sent to a brother-in-law, Emile Vandembulcke, another resident of this city, who is located somewhere in France, and the latter in turn sent it to his wife in Hilden street, this city. Mr. Decothignies resided in this city about four years. When the war broke out he returned to France and joined his regiment, the 115th Infantry. After spending a couple of months in camp he was sent to the front and shortly afterward he was made prisoner and sent to Germany. His relatives in France and this city were notified of his capture, but since that time not a word has been received from him. Shortly after Mr. Decothignies was



ACHILLE DECOTHIGNIES. Photo Taken in Germany

taken to Germany several French prisoners were put to death and it was feared that the Lowell man was among them. A few weeks ago, however, Emile Vandembulcke, a brother-in-law, received the above photograph and a long letter in which the prisoner explained the danger of the French prisoners and how they are being treated. He stated that his lot was not a bad one inasmuch as he had gained several pounds in captivity. He says there is plenty of food where he is located, but the weather is not too severe. To be given some liberty and is well cared for. While a resident of this city Mr. Decothignies was employed as a weaver at the Merrimack mills and later at the Peabody Woollen Co. His present address is as follows: Achille Decothignies, No. 5014, Block 4, Third Battalion, With Company, Camp Menden H. Westphalia, Germany.

Mr. Vandembulcke, who sent the photograph to Lowell, was injured a few months ago and taken to a hospital. After recuperating he was sent to the military school, where he is now an instructor on the machine gun. In his last letter to his wife he states he is liable to be called to the front any moment.

### FUNERALS

REGO.—The funeral of Edward Rego took place yesterday afternoon from the home of his parents, Joseph and Maria Rego, 345 Chalmers street. Services were held at St. Anthony's church. Rev. Fr. Fernandez officiating. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers M. H. McDonough sons were in charge of the arrangements.

HAND.—The funeral services of Mrs. Jennie C. Hand were held yesterday afternoon at the Edison cemetery. Burial services were conducted by Rev. Caleb E. Fisher, D.D., pastor of the First Universalist church. The bearers were Messrs. Charles H. Wing, Andrew K. Barrows, A. J. Bates and William N. Phares. Burial was in the family lot, where Rev. Dr. Fisher read the committal service. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker John A. Wrentham.

HAMER.—The funeral of Mrs. Rosa M. Hamer was held yesterday afternoon from her home, 14 Barnaby street, and was largely attended. At St. Louis' church a funeral mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Bohan. There was a procession of floral offerings, including: Alfrod, Henry, Clement and Orville Hamer, and pious from Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hamer, Sr. and family, Mrs. Mary C. Giral and family, Annie and Alfred Hamer, Mrs. A. Froushin, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gleason, Mr. and Mrs. Albe E. Hartung, Mr. and Mrs. George Hamer, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Horvath, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dickerson, Josie Lynch,

Leadbetter family, Mr. and Mrs. Gossett, Ottawa baseball club, night police at the U. S. Courthouse Co., The Merrimack, Henry, Clement and Orville Hamer, Napoleon Cardinal and Harold Giffin. Burial was in the Immaculate Conception cemetery in Lawrence, the funeral being in charge of Undertaker James W. McKenna.

LOFSTRAND.—The funeral services of Mrs. Marie Lofstrand were held yesterday afternoon at her home, 11 Forest street. Rev. Edwin T. Stromberg, pastor of the Swedish Methodist church, officiated. There was appropriate singing by members of the same church, of which the deceased was a member. There were many floral offerings including the following: pillow inscribed "Wife," the husband; pillow inscribed "At Rest," Swedish M.E. church; cross on base inscribed "Asleep," Lofstrands society and tributes from Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lundgren, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lundgren and Joel Lundgren, Mrs. Anna Anderson, Mrs. Gertrude Johnson, and Mrs. Astrid Almqvist, Mr. and Mrs. Ragnar Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. John Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Gustafson, Mr. and Mrs. William Lyons and Mrs. John Morris, Cousin Anna, Mr. and Mrs. Schomburg, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. William Anderson and Harry Horvath, Gus Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Clauson, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Berg, Mr. and Mrs. David Peterson, a friend and neighbor, The bearers were Messrs. Harold Horvath, Eric Laurin, Axel Schomburg and William Anderson. Burial was in the family lot in Westlawn cemetery, where the committal service was read by Rev. Mr. Stromberg. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker William H. Saunders.

### FUNERAL NOTICES

BALOS.—The funeral of Peter Balos will take place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of H. Molloy's Sons. Services at the Greek church at 2 o'clock. Burial in Westlawn cemetery. C. H. Molloy's Sons in charge of funeral arrangements.

DOLAN.—The funeral of the late John J. Dolan will take place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his home, 221 Broadway. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery. A mass of requiem will be sung Friday morning, January 5 at 8:30 at St. Patrick's church. Undertaker James P. O'Donnell & Sons in charge.

FITZGERALD.—The funeral of Alexander Fitzgerald will take place Saturday morning at 8 o'clock from the chapel of C. H. Molloy's Sons on Market street. Funeral high mass at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in Westlawn cemetery. Undertakers C. H. Molloy's Sons in charge.

HOWARD.—Died Dec. 29th, in this city, Mrs. Maria P. Howard, aged 80 years, 9 mos. and 20 days, at her home, 125 Myrtle street. She is survived by one son, Capt. Howard of Hyde Park, and two daughters, Miss Mary W. Howard of Reading and Mrs. Joseph Peabody of this city and two brothers, Clinton L. Parker and Eugene Parker and one sister Miss Anna B. Parker, all of Reading.

MACALDIN.—Elizabeth Macaladin died yesterday at the home of her nephew, Samuel Macaladin, 22 Viola street, aged 82 years. She leaves one niece, Mary J. Macaladin of this city; two nephews, Charles H. Parker and James of Salem, N. H.

PENNEL.—Died Dec. 29th, in this city, Mrs. Clara M. Regan, aged 48 years, 1 mos. and 35 days, at her home, 19 Temple street. Funeral services will be held at 12 o'clock Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. Burial private. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

SCANDIAN.—The funeral of Thomas P. Scandian will take place Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock from his home, 31 Pearl street. High mass of requiem will be celebrated at St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

### DEATHS

PENNEL.—Mrs. Annie L. Pennell, wife of Isaac H. Pennell, died yesterday at her home, 353 Bridge street, after a short illness. She is survived by her husband, L. H. Pennell, one sister, Nellie H. Joy, and one brother, Alvin E. Pennell. Burial was in the family lot. Mrs. Pennell was born in Bristol, Mass., daughter of Ephraim and Angeline B. Joy. She was a member of the Jefferson Street Free Baptist church and after coming to Lowell became an active worker in the same church.

DOWNS.—Mrs. Abelle A. wife of Charles E. Downs, formerly of Lowell, died Dec. 24 in Portland, Me. Besides her husband, she leaves two sons, Carl A. and Frederick L. Downs, and four daughters, Mrs. Mary E. Downs, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Margaret, and Mrs. John. Burial was in the family lot in Portland. Funeral services were held at her home in Portland Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

FITZGERALD.—Alexander Fitzgerald died yesterday at St. John's hospital, aged 65 years. He leaves a son, Charles, and a daughter, Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald, both of this city and wife, Nora, Wallace and Agnes of Quebec, Canada. Three sisters, Margaret, Clara and Helen Fitzgerald, all of Boston, and a brother, Thomas Fitzgerald of Boston, Mr. Fitzgerald was a well-known member of St. Peter's parish. The body was taken to the home of Undertaker C. H. Molloy's Sons.

GOETTE.—Mrs. Lillian T. Goette,

for many years a cashier and bookkeeper for the D. L. Page Co., died Wednesday evening at her home, 225 Merrimack street, after a long illness. She leaves her father, Henry F. Lunan of Montreal, Quebec, and one son, Norwood. Her body was taken to the home of Undertakers Jas. P. O'Donnell & Sons.

DOLAN.—Friends of John J. Dolan will be shocked to learn of his death, which occurred last evening at St. John's hospital. Deceased was employed as a machinist at the U. S. Courthouse Co. up to the time of his illness and was a member of the Machinists union. He also was prominent in the affairs of St. Patrick's church and was a member of the Holy Name society of that parish. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Susan (McIntyre) Dolan, two sons, James and Paul, his father, Michael Dolan of Toggus, Me.; three sisters, Mrs. Michael Casey and Katherine and Laura Dolan, and three brothers, Thomas, James and Michael Dolan.

REGAN.—Mrs. Clara M. Regan died early this morning at her home, 19 Temple street, aged 48 years. She leaves her husband, William; a daughter, Marjorie E. Regan; one brother, Gilbert E. Armstrong, and two sisters, Mrs. Sadie E. Warren and Mrs. Emma A. Christian.

CRAWFORD.—Margaret J. Crawford, aged 31 years, 3 months, 5 days, died at her home, 27 Varnum avenue, this morning. Deceased leaves five brothers, Alexander of Ohio, James, Andrew, Charles L. and William J. of Lowell, two sisters, Mrs. William Whitely of Montana and Miss Catherine Crawford of this city. The body was removed to the undertaking parlors of John A. Welbace. Funeral notice later.

SCANDIAN.—Thomas P. Scandian, a popular young man of this city and a member of St. Peter's parish, died Friday at his late home, 31 Pearl street, aged 28 years. He was for a number of years an employee of Keith's theatre and leaves to mourn his loss his father, John Scandian, his mother, Hannah Scandian, a wife, Lottie M., four children, Florence M., Helen M., Harold and Raymond J., three brothers, Hubert, William and John, and one sister, Miss May Scandian. He was a member of the Order of Buffaloes, Buffaloid Order of Eagles and Lowell B.O.B. Posters' union.

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FULLER.—Olin L. Fuller died yesterday at his home in Boston, Mass., aged 65 years. He leaves his wife,

Mary T. Fuller and two sons, John Franklin and James Francis of Billerica Centre. He was a member of Howard lodge, 22, I.O.O.F., of Charlestown.

LATOUR.—Celestia, aged 2 years, 11 months and 20 days, died this morning at the home of the parents, Arthur and Alla Latour, 55 Aiken street. On account of diphtheria bit the cause of death, burial took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock in St. Joseph's cemetery under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

COURTOIS.—Alfred, aged 2 years and 25 days, died last night at the home of the parents, Napoleon and Cora Courtois. Burial took place this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in St. Joseph's cemetery under the direction of Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son.

### RAILROAD CLERKS

The regular meeting and election of officers of the Spindle City Lodge, No. 198, Brotherhood of Railroad Clerks, was held in Odd Fellows' hall Tuesday night. President John H. Shea, in the chair, the death of Brother Joseph Cote was announced. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, John H. Shea, re-elected; vice president, John J. Burke; secretary and treasurer, John H. Fravel; chaplain, Fred G. Osgood; past president, John L. Jackson; sergeant at arms, Edward J. Flannery; guard, Frank Sullivan; chairman of protective committee, member of Boston & Maine system board of adjustment, John L. Jackson for two years.

A committee was appointed to arrange for the installation ceremony and initiation to be held in January. A committee on membership was appointed by the chair to report at the next meeting.

### PIG KILLS MAN

ANTHONISSE, N. S., Dec. 28.—Moses Delorey of Tracadie was killed by a pig, the largest in his pen, advises from that town said yesterday. He had attempted to enter the enclosure when the beast attacked him, pinning Delorey against a wall. The man fought to free himself from the pig's rush, but was unable to do so before he had been bitten severely. He died a few hours later.

### FEEDING THE BIRDS

A number of Boy Scouts under the direction of Scoutmaster Kibard of North Chelmsford went to Draught this afternoon to feed the birds. Realizing that the recent snow and the cold weather is causing a hardship on birds the Boy Scouts are doing their share to make it easy for them to secure food. A large supply of bird seed, scraps, etc., was carried by the scouts.

### LADIES' AUXILIARY A. O. H. SPECIAL NOTICE

All members are requested to be present at the first meeting of the quarter, Tuesday evening, Jan. 2, 1917. Tickets for installation will be given out at the meeting.

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Luncheon Sets, were \$1.50 to \$3.50. Now... 85c to \$1.75  
Breakfast Runners, were \$2.00-\$2.50. Now... \$1.00 to \$1.75  
Tea Cloths, were \$1.25 to \$2.75. Now... 89c to \$1.75  
Bureau Scarfs, were 50c to \$2.00. Now... 39c to \$1.00  
Library Scarfs, were 70c to \$1.50. Now... 49c to \$1.00  
Tissue Towels, were 37c, 50c, 75c. Now... 25c, 39c, 59c  
Turkish Towels, were 50c and 75c. Now... 35c, 50c  
Wash Cloths, were 12½c and 15c. Now... 8c  
Baby Pillows, were 29c to 75c. Now... 15c to 50c  
Pin Cushions, were 25c, 35c, 50c. Now... 12½c, 19c, 35c  
Dolls' Dresses, were 35c to 50c. Now... 25c, 39c  
Laundry Bags, were 50c. Now... 39c  
Children's Dresses... Half Price  
Night Gowns, were \$1.25. Now... 89c  
Kimono's, were \$1.00 to \$1.50. Now... 75c, 98c  
Pillow Tops, were 50c, 75c, \$1.25. Now... 10c, 25c, 75c  
Bed Spreads, were \$2.75 to \$4.50. Now... \$1.98 to \$3.50  
Pillow Slips, were 50c and 65c. Now... 49c and 55c  
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# REVIEW OF EVENTS DURING YEAR THAT IS CLOSING

## Principal Local Happenings Recorded in News of the Day—Dates That Will be Useful for Future Reference

Following is a list of the principal local happenings during the past year with the exception of the deaths of prominent people, and fire losses which are given elsewhere:

**January.**

2—Feast of Holy Name observed in Catholic churches.

3—Inauguration day—Mayor James E. O'Donnell and Commissioners Chas. J. Morse and James E. Donnelly inducted into office.

4—Municipal council assigns members to different departments. School board organizes—Dr. John H. Lamb, elected chairman. Mayor O'Donnell shifts Philip D. Murphy from liquor squad to night route in Centralville. Annual police ball. Mayor O'Donnell addresses police officers.

5—Mayor O'Donnell shifts Thomas Hessian from liquor squad to night route in Centralville.

6—"Prosperity Night" banquet under auspices of board of trade.

7—Arthur G. Pollard appointed member of board of trustees of Massachusetts Agricultural college. Greek Christmas observed. Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Keyes observe 50th wedding anniversary. Hearing on new high school held at city hall.

12—Reunion of St. Margaret's parish.

13—Rev. John A. Degan of St. Columba's church succeeded by Rev. P. J. Hall.

15—Coldest day of the winter. Shooting affray in Cumiskey's alley.

16—John T. and Herbert C. Locke sentenced to two years in house of correction for larceny. Joseph Teulier fatally injured in Suffolk street.

17—Buildings in Kirk street on high school site sold at auction.

22—Fauntleroy M. McKnight struck by train in Wamecet.

23—10th anniversary of High Street church.

24—Mrs. Anthony Lewis fatally burned in Watson avenue. Died Feb. 7.

25—Choral society presents Handel's "Messiah."

27—Mayor O'Donnell abolishes position of police messenger.

28—Patrolman James E. Holland and Alfred Cooney appointed to liquor squad.

**February.**

1—City laborers voted increase of 25 cents per day. Attempt to remove City Solicitor J. Joseph Hennessy defeated. 35th anniversary of Matthew Temperature institute observed.

5—City Solicitor J. Joseph Hennessy ousted and Harold A. Varnum elected.

to succeed him. Annual banquet of Lowell Typographical union.

8—Rose N. Meilen found dead in bed.

10—Ella Faulken burned to death in North Billerica.

11—Mrs. Camille Roussin found dead in bed.

14—Charles Daly found frozen in Middlesex company's yard.

17—Rev. Smith Baker, D.D., observed 50th anniversary of birth.

19—Margaret McAleer, three years, fatally burned.

22—Knights of Columbus held "Farewell Banquet" in Anne street headquarters.

25—Reunion of St. Columba's parish.

25—Annual ball of girls' high school battalions.

28—Municipal council completes work on department estimates. Chester Martel wins title of champion candle pin bowler of New England. Reunion of St. Michael's parish.

**March.**

1—Albert J. Roper murdered in Tebbury. Reunion of St. Peter's parish.

3—Albert J. Roper arraigned, charged with murdering his father. Annual reunion of St. Mary's parish, Collinsville.

5—Stabbing affray in Elm street.

9—Board of trade annual dinner.

14—Lowell evening high school graduation exercises.

15—Patrolmen and firemen hold banquet.

17—Dudley L. Page, 50 years a candy maker. Albert J. Roper indicted for murder. St. Patrick's day observed in Catholic churches.

18—Wisconsin clippers arrested.

20—John J. Pinder given hearing.

23—John E. Connor purchases interest in Lowell baseball team.

23—Patrick J. Sullivan killed at Wamecet crossing.

31—Lowell day observed in public schools. Three new pieces of motor fire apparatus arrive.

**April.**

2—Edward K. O'Toole, four years, drowned in Concord river.

3—Ella M. Mills, 61 years, burned to death.

5—Cosmos S. Eganston of this city, committed suicide at Concord reformatory.

6—George Hanson attempts to kill his wife in South Lowell. Flower at Colonial hall.

7—Police stop boxing bout at Playhouse and make several arrests.

8—Incendiary fire in Webster mansion.

9—Diver nearly drowned in Concord river.

11—Elks' banquet and installation of officers. Home club reunion.

12—Lowell Textile Evening school graduating exercises.

13—Mayor O'Donnell receives "Black Hand" letter.

15—Mayor O'Donnell finds against John J. Pinder.

17—St. Adieleska, two years, scalded to death.

21—Nesmith property, Merrimack and John streets, sold to George W. Motley.

23—Easter observed in local churches.

24—License commission grants liquor licenses. 50th anniversary of Kilwinning lodge, A.F. & A.M. Mathews Temperance institute Easter Monday party.

25—Presidential primaries. William W. Donnell elected principle of Morcy school.

26—George H. Taylor appointed member of cemetery commission. Board of trade banquet. Black and White ball.

27—Yeggs blow safe in office of Abbott Worsted Co. in Forge Village. Eastern Baseball league opens season.

**May.**

1—Frederick Fanning Ayrer purchases new home for the Day Nursery. Robert F. Marden succeeds Henry F. Carr as park commissioner. C.M.A.C. building free from debt.

2—Annual banquet of Y.M.C.A. Annual banquet of Y.M.C.A.

3—Hon. George F. Putnam elected license commissioner. Annual banquet of Lowell Grocers and Butchers' association.

4—John L. Robertson re-elected chairman of the cemetery board.

8—Rev. John P. Flynn, O.M.I., appointed pastor of the Sacred Heart church. Thomas P. McKee re-elected chairman of park commission.

9—Evelyn B. Stewart killed by train in Middlesex Village.

10—Hearing before Judge E. Wright. Opening of baseball season in Lowell.

12—Businessmen's battalion organized.

14—Irish indignation mass meeting.

15—Gambling den in Hard street raided—20 arrests made.

18—Body of Mary Ellen Donnelly, 31, found floating in Suffolk canal.

19—Martin Delmore electrocuted on pole at Wamecet.

20—Engineer Rice locates leak in sand filters at boulevard plant. Y.W.C.A. bazaar.

21—Margaret V. Twomey, 27, of Billerica, killed by automobile.

25—Capt. George E. Worthen 75 years old.

26—Public memorial services at First Congregational church.

29—Annual field day of high school boys' regiment and girls' battalions. Old Moody school sold.

30—Memorial day observed with parade and appropriate exercises.

31—Charles H. Hanson appointed chairman of license commission.

**June.**

2—Textile school graduation.

3—Boy Scouts' field day.

4—Alfred Thibault, 48, killed by falling wall in Payne street. Commencement exercises at Rogers Hall school. Board of trade clerks officers.

5—Box show at Vesper Country club.

10—Epidemic of measles in Lowell.

11—Children's day observed.

14—Flag day observed in local schools. 20,000 march in great preparedness parade.

15—Graduation exercises at Notre Dame academy. Shakespearean pageant at Normal school campus.

16—Commencement exercises at St. Patrick's boys' school.

21—John P. Connor sells his share in Lowell baseball team. Company M of the Ninth regiment go to Camp Whitney preparatory to border duty. Battery C, field artillery, starts for the frontier.

24—Andrew Bakis killed by automobile in East Merrimack street. Opium joint in John street raided.

27—High school graduating exercises.

**July.**

2—George W. Lees, 30, killed at Mountain Rock. Tewksbury visited by a cyclone.

7—George Bannister, 14, drowned at Middlesex.

8—Mayor O'Donnell asks Lowell public to contribute for the members of Co. 31 on the border.

15—Adelbert and Leo Landry, brothers, drowned in Merrimack river near Alken street bridge.

20—Thomas Bond, 26, drowned in South Billerica.

21—Police messenger reinstated.

25—Frederick Fanning Ayrer gave \$200,000 to the Lowell General hospital.

25—Patrolman Francis H. Moore appointed special officer.

**August.**

3—Master Plumbers' outing.

3—Eugene W. Pearson appointed adjutant general.

7—Y.M.C.A. midway show opens on First street oval.

10—Dorothy Estes, 22, drowned in Georgetown.

15—McManus picnic at Mountain Rock.

17—Lowell lodge of Elks outing in Tyngsboro.

20—Henry L. Sullivan defeats Charlie Toth in endurance swim. Dovalda Paquin, 21, drowned at Mountain Rock.

21—State convention of A.O.U. opens.

23—Hottest day of the year.

25—Gas explosion in manhole in Moody street.

31—Summer playgrounds close.

**September.**

2—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ricard observe 25th anniversary of their wedding.

4—Lowell and Lawrence teams dropped from the Eastern league.

5—Unity club hearing before license commission.

6—Monster Labor Day demonstration.

11—Middlesex North Agricultural fair at Golden Cove park. Olive B. Croft, 13, drowned in Concord river.

18—Roper murder trial opens at East Cambridge. Mayor O'Donnell abolishes position of police messenger.

25—Corner stone of new St. Louis' church in West Cambridge laid.

26—Patrolman David Hogan retired on pension.

29—Olga Koczara, three years, killed by automobile in Third street.

30—John H. McLean killed by live wire in Beacon street.

**October.**

5—Albert J. Roper acquitted of murder.

10—Annual banquet of the Mathew Temperature institute.

12—Columbus day parade.

17—Furious windstorm. Battery C arrives back from the border.

21—John J. Nugent asphyxiated at gas works.

22—Eagles unveil monument in St. Patrick's and Westlawn cemeteries.

25—State conference of charities opens.

**November.**

1—Gilbert Hunt appointed state trooper.

1—Company M, 2nd regiment, returns from duty on Mexican border.

7—State election.

8—Gun fight in Broadway.

9—Capt. James Brennan shot at Wamecet.

10—Harold L. Chalifoux and Miss Elizabeth A. Warrar married.

11—First snow storm of the season.

21—City primaries.

25—Shooting affray in Scott mills.

32—John Collins, 5, fatally injured in Wigginsville.

**December.**

1—Dangerous fire in Broadway—boy badly burned.

3—Elks' Memorial services. Oblate order observes centenary at Immaculate Conception church.

5—Elks' Christmas charity fund entertainment.

7—Annual banquet of Bunting cricket club.

8—Big blaze in Middlesex street.

12—City election.

13—Automobile show at armory.

20—William Sweeney, murderer, escapes from State Prison asylum.

25—Commissioner Putnam gives Brennan ten per cent. increase.

25—Christmas services in churches and general observance throughout the city.

**PROMINENT PEOPLE WHO DIED IN 1916**

Following is a list of the more prominent people who died during the year. The names of some who should be included may have been unintentionally overlooked in the review, as occasionally prominent people pass away without attracting much public attention:

**January.**

2—Stewart Maxwell, 71.

5—Mrs. Augusta F. Simpson, 52.

9—Mrs. Joseph J. Putnam, 53.

11—Mrs. Henrietta Gullitt, 52.

11—Mrs. Agnes Calross, 79.

11—Benjamin H. Peabody, 79.

11—Edward A. Salmon, 60.

11—George E. Sears, 74.

11—Mary Baker, 55.

11—George Franklin Allen, 16.

14—Alphons S. Miles, 83.

17—George L. Scripture, 73.

18—Mary J. Callahan, 43.

18—Mrs. Charles S. Proctor.

27—John Watson, 61.

28—Mortimer O'Sullivan, 78.

31—Conductor Eusebe J. Barry, 40.

Mrs. Rose Smith, 84.

**February.**

1—Mrs. H. Adie Carter, 74.

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Loins of Veal, cut short ..... 15c  
Small Legs and Loins Yearling ..... 12½c  
Forequarters ..... 10c

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Round Steak ..... 15c  
Sirloin Roasts ..... 15c  
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Evaporated Milk ..... 10c  
Flour, ½ bbl. .... \$1.10  
Spaghetti ..... 8c  
Walnuts ..... 20c  
Sliced Peaches, No. 3 Cans ..... 3 for 25c  
Canned Peas ..... 8½c

Canned Beans ..... 8½c  
Eggs, warranted ..... 36c  
Union Coffee, fresh roasted and ground, 19c, 24c, 31c  
Union Teas from ..... 25c to 60c  
Oranges, Sweet Floridas ..... 15c, 35c  
Pineapples ..... 4 for 25c

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**FIRE LOSS FOR YEAR WAS SMALL**

The loss by fire this year has been comparatively small, there being but 13 fires where the loss was reported to be over \$1000. This is due in a large measure to the motorizing of the department as well as the efficient work of the firemen.

The following is a list of the fires where the loss was over \$1000:

Jan. 19—John Brady, barn, \$2185.  
March 7—Lowell Grocery Co., \$147.21.  
April 2—Sik block, \$2330.40.  
Oct. 2—Nelson Five and Ten Cent Store, \$2164.70.

June 11—T. E. Chase & Son, \$5989.45.  
July 16—181 Howard street, \$1467.50.  
Sept. 8—424 Market street, \$1267.71.  
Oct. 12—273 Chelmsford street, \$1456.<

### RESULTS OF THE LEAGUE GAMES LAST NIGHT

Three games were rolled in the United States Cartridge Night league on the Crescent alleys yesterday afternoon, the Butler, Drawing and Commercial Bullet departments winning over the Grinders, Polishers and Finish Shell quintet. McGowan carried away honors for the day with a total of 321 and a single string of 125. In the Les Miserables league the Rodgers trimmed the Beividers Five by the score of 1452 to 1412 and the Blacks defeated the Wauhakums.

#### U. S. Cartridge Co. Night League

COMMERCIAL BULLET			
Gregman	85	78	76
Nichols	78	91	91
Cowens	83	101	105
Bahr	87	92	90
McGowan	97	125	99
Totals	427	474	461

FINISH SHELL			
Murphy	103	99	92
Davenport	94	79	83
Quinn	88	92	90
A. Welch	88	79	78
C. Farrell	91	106	87
Totals	459	455	430

POLISHERS			
Welch	84	98	114
Stanton	81	84	107
Rourke	74	88	79
Simple	74	94	92
Keough	85	83	77
Totals	417	455	470

DRAWING DEPT.			
Stone	101	80	93
Nevins	102	95	112
Pierce	102	104	98
Mullen	76	87	101
Rourke	83	109	82
Totals	463	465	484

GRINDERS			
Reynolds	98	94	86
J. Pendergast	98	103	94
Manning	94	93	81
W. Pendergast	77	87	87
Murphy	88	90	79
Totals	461	467	427

BULLET DEPT.			
Cudworth	90	76	97
McLarnay	91	82	90
Noel	108	82	95
Snow	86	95	92
Singleton	92	101	90
Totals	467	436	474

Les Miserables League			
BLACKS			
B. McMahon	102	111	84
McCluskey	92	102	85
J. McMahon	95	107	98
N. Choquette	101	89	92
Totals	390	412	367

Wauhakums			
T. Clark	69	81	99
Kinz	88	87	80
Illis	85	98	92
Shields	103	120	96
Totals	355	396	367

DODGERS			
Adell	86	125	99
Fanton	100	80	92
McManus	99	90	88
Mullin	116	84	96
Montgomery	108	101	88
Totals	518	480	463

BEIVDERE FIVE			
Tousignant	92	75	101
Makara	89	80	93
Swistak	106	93	101
Finck	92	94	91
Conley	102	80	87
Totals	481	445	473

**BIG MEET AT BUFFALO**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The national junior track and field championships at Buffalo on New Year's night will have the smallest field on record as the list of entries made public by the Amateur Athletic union today contains only fifty-one nominations for the 12 events, exclusive of the medley relay race. Last year three times this number were received.

The medley relay has attracted entries from the Boston Athletic association, the Illinois Athletic club, the

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### BIG ROLLER SKATING RACE AT ROLLAWAY TONIGHT

It looks like a big night tonight at the Rollaway rink on Hurd street, when the first of a series of three roller skating races between Billy Yale of Portland, Me., and Harry Burke of Bridgeport, Conn., and Albert Nebes of Lowell and Billy Moffatt of Worcester will be held. Yale and Burke will team up against the Lowell-Worcester combination, and as all men are among the fastest in this part of the country, a great race is expected. Tonight's race will be a relay event of five miles. Tomorrow night the men will appear in a ten mile relay race, while on Monday night, New Year's, the quarter will appear in a pursuit race. All races will start at 8:30 o'clock. While the bulk of the men is well known to those who follow the skating game, a few words for the benefit of those not familiar with the performers will show that the claim that they are among the best in the country is not an exaggeration. Yale appeared here on several occasions, and showed that he is a sprinter of short distance, and former he is a wonder. He gave Nebes, of Lowell, who is eastern champion, a great battle, and only lost when he weakened in the final mile. Burke is a plunger from a way back. He appeared here in three races, and in all showed to advantage. He is a good long distance man and knows the game from A to Z. All know of Nebes' ability. He is one of the best in the country, and has a standing offer to meet the world's champion at any time. Moffatt, the only one of the quartet who has not previously appeared here is a crackerjack man, and only recently won one out of three races from Nebes at the Marlboro rink. All are in great condition and ready to pull up the race of their lives.

### JIMMY GARDNER AS AMERICAN SHIP HALTED BY BRITISH CRUISER

Many Lowell boxing fans will go to Portland tonight to witness Jimmy Gardner stage his "comeback" at the Commercial A. C. Gardner's opponent will be "Gloucester" Joe Rivers, a rugged fighter who relies on his strength and aggressiveness to win his contests.

Gardner has been training faithfully for the past three or four months, rounding into shape for an active winter in the ring and judges who have watched him in training bouts aver that he appears to be just as fast as when he was leading the top-belters.

Harry London, the Brooklyn boxer, who made such a decided hit in this city last spring, gave a great account of himself the other night over in New York. He fought Joe Azevedo, who outweighed him by nine pounds and a half and judges were divided as to the winner after the bout. London is likely to be matched with Larry Hansen in the near future at the Lawrence club.

Eddie Murphy and Terry Brooks, both of South Boston will feature the ball at the Armory A.A. next Tuesday in a twelve rounder. This will ought to be a strenuous one.

Nel Cogan of Brooklyn will oppose his old foe, Pete Hartley, at Lawrence New Year's day. These boys have boxed twice before. At Greenfield, a few months ago, they boxed a draw and a few nights later at Boston, the decision went to Cogan after ten fast rounds.

Johnny Doyle, a local fighter will meet Billy Shelly in the semi-final to the Cogan-Hartley bout.

Tommy Doyle of this city would like to see another chance at Buddy Dolan of Lawrence. They met a few weeks ago and Dolan was given the decision amid much criticism, as the majority of fans thought the local boy had won easily. Doyle wants the supremacy question settled as he contends that he can defeat Dolan anytime Dolan will box him.

### BEGAN CAREER IN OLD NEW ENGLAND LEAGUE

William E. ("KID") Bransfield, whose appointment as a National league umpire has just been announced was for many years a familiar figure in the league which now is to welcome him back as an arbitrator. Bransfield, who started his baseball career as a catcher, eventually became a first baseman, and during his 10 years at this position he was rated as one of the stars of the game.

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member of the Worcester club of the old Eastern league, now the International, and was purchased by Pittsburgh in 1901. He was the regular first baseman of the Pirates during the seasons of 1901, '02, '03, '04, and then was traded to Philadelphia for Del Howard and Paul Kruger. From 1905 until the close of the 1910 season Bransfield guarded first base for the Phillies in a way that made Barney Dreyfuss often regret that he had made the trade.

The coming of Fred Luderus to Philadelphia during the 1910 season resulted in the veteran being displaced the next season and he went to Toronto, afterward becoming manager of that club. He had his first taste of umpiring in 1915, in the New England league, and he performed ably enough to win a place last season in the International league. Thus he comes to the majors after umpiring only two seasons in the minors.

**NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—**The American steamship Silver Shell, from Bordeaux Dec. 14, was stopped by a British cruiser when three days out from the French port and her papers were examined here, she was allowed to proceed, according to officers of the ship on her arrival here today.

### AMBASSADOR PAGE CALLS ON BRITISH PREMIER

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Ambassador Page called on Premier Lloyd George in Downing street this morning. It was a call of courtesy, offering the American representative his first opportunity of seeing Mr. Lloyd George since he became premier.

### TO USE U.S. TWINE TO BIND BRITISH HARVEST

LONDON, Dec.—Correspondence of The Associated Press—American twine will be used almost exclusively to bind next year's British harvest. Agents for the United States twine now on the spot have already placed enough orders for this purpose, despite earnest appeals to the farmers to give their business to the home manufacturers on patriotic grounds.

English farmers were told that if they would buy their twine from the English manufacturers they would affect a saving to the nation of \$1,250,000 and 10,000 tons of cargo space for food shipping. Binder twine, it was pointed out, is bulky, occupying more than two and a quarter times the space required for straw.

The English farmers were also informed by the local trade that the manufacturers in this country were never in a better position to supply all their needs. Stocks were said to be higher than usual because the export of twine had been prohibited. Eight per cent of the people employed in the local mills are women so that there was no question of requiring male labor that might be needed on government work. As to prices it was claimed that the British manufacturer could compete favorably with the one across the Atlantic.

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**AMERICANS ARE WELL TREATED IN RUSSIA**  
STOCKHOLM, Dec. 29.—Not all American business men who visit Russia succeed in doing as much business as they had hoped, although the exceptions are few and far between. But whether they succeed or not they come back to Stockholm telling the same story of the manner in which they were received.  
"I am afraid that Americans don't treat any foreigners the way the Russians treat Americans," said one man just back. "I have traveled some 10,000 miles in Russia in the last months, and been everywhere embraced by kindness. Strangers embraced me, the difficulties of language and customs for me, saw to it that I had a seat in the crowded dining-cars, and in short, looked after me as if I were their dearest friend. Other Americans told me they had received the same welcome and attentions everywhere."

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Industry and all of the other qualities which make a solid people. It was the habit of thrift which enabled the French to go to their savings accounts for a billion-dollar Franco-Prussian indemnity. It was national honor built on thrift which enabled them the next day to begin saving again.

It is that kind of thing that the Thrift savings clubs are helping to build up in this country. It comes with maturity, and America is actually ready. The fact must be cultivated, and there is no better way of cultivating it than by encouraging an experiment with a savings bank account. The person who carries an account of this kind for a year may have the lesson in thrift he has learned. After that his negligence is his own fault, and it is not American to be wasteful and improvident. Hence, the value of the Thrift savings club.

is saving not so much for Christmas or other purposes as for character-building. His News.

NEW PANAMA CANAL RECORD  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29. The record time for passing a ship through the Panama canal has been lowered to 16 hours and twenty minutes. On Dec. 17, the Pacific Steam Navigation Co. ship, the "Albatross," passed through in that time. The record was set by the "Albatross" in 1915, when it was 16 hours and 20 minutes. The "Albatross" is a 10,000-ton ship, and it is not unusual for a ship to pass through the canal in 16 hours and 20 minutes. The record was set by the "Albatross" in 1915, when it was 16 hours and 20 minutes. The "Albatross" is a 10,000-ton ship, and it is not unusual for a ship to pass through the canal in 16 hours and 20 minutes. The record was set by the "Albatross" in 1915, when it was 16 hours and 20 minutes.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.



## A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

Never a Christmas passes, never an old year ends, but someone thinks of someone, old times, old haunts, old friends.

## Billy Scanlon Inaugural

It was just quarter of century ago that the late Billy Scanlon, at that time the most popular lyric tenor on the American stage, suddenly went insane in the height of his popularity, leaving a gloom over the entire theatre-going public. Few who saw him in the old days but can vividly recall his singing "Peek-a-Boo" or some other of his favorite songs which years ago were sung in every household in the country. In connection with the announcement of his sad plight, the Sun of quarter of a century ago had the following:

"In the intensely sad illness of the Irish comedian Billy Scanlon at New York, there is widespread regret among all lovers of freedom for Ireland. Scanlon, it was, who gave \$200 to Dillon and O'Brien for the exiled tenants, and two years ago played a week at the Star theatre, New York, for the benefit of the mother of Charles Stewart Parnell. These things are all treasured by those in whose veins pulsates Irish blood. William J. Hyatt, Esq., the silver-tongued lawyer of Chicago, who prosecuted the murderers of the late Dr. Cronin, is the uncle of Scanlon. The actor's condition grows more serious daily. He refuses all nourishment caring only for delirious which are of no benefit to him in his weakened condition. Though less violent than he was his mind does not improve. Drs. Smith and Hamilton do not believe that he can survive two weeks more."

## Old Timers Make Come-Back

Few old time theatre-goers perhaps who read the announcement that Mackie and Walker were on the bill for the concert at the Opera House last Sunday realized that they were the same old Mackie and Walker who delighted large audiences with their character songs quarter of a century ago. But they were the same old team, and they revived some of the old time songs such as are seldom heard on the vaudeville stage these days; their "pipes" are fairly good and they are again making a living on the stage after having abandoned it some years ago. In the old days they made a big hit with "Across the Bridge He Goes," a famous character song introduced by them shortly after the opening of the Brooklyn bridge, where there was but one big suspension bridge spanning the river between New York and Brooklyn. Another great song of theirs was "The Upper Ten and Lower Five" and "Life's a Game of Cards." They sang these for a number of years and then got into burlesque and began to go back. Finally they quit the stage and for a long time remained off the boards, living around Boston. But it remained for Johnnie Quigley, the popular theatrical booking agent, and once famous in vaudeville himself, as "America's Newsboy Tenor" to bring them out again. It was so long since the character songs such as Mackie and Walker once sang were heard on the stage that Mr. Quigley believed that a revival would go well, being new to the younger generation and pleasantly reminiscent to the older. He found that the pair were in fairly good voice and he started them off again some few months ago. They're going big, singing the same old songs, and

getting recalls wherever they appear. At Keith's a few Sundays ago another good old timer who is still going appeared in the bill in the person of Louis Pritzlow, of the team of Pritzlow and Blanchard. Louis first appeared in Lowell quarter of a century ago as a tenor soloist with Primrose and West's minstrels. He is the composer of "Take Back Your Job" and other songs that had a run of popularity.

## Dummer Street Extension

What do you know about this?

Just quarter of a century ago a lively hearing was held at city hall on the proposition to extend Dummer street from Merrimack to Market streets. Probably Whistler was in Lowell when they first started to talk about that extension and knowing that some day they would get it and that some day they would get it and that some day they would get it, here is what the old Sun said of that hearing just quarter of a century ago to-night:

"There was quite a breezy hearing on the extension of Dummer street held in the council chamber on Monday evening (December 23). The resolutions were out in full force and were heard first. Col. James H. Carmichael represented the opponents of the extension and it was alleged that the extension is to benefit the street

railroad, a few property owners and not the city in general, nor even the benefit of the ward one. After a great number of remonstrances were heard the hearing was adjourned until next Wednesday evening. At the adjourned hearing Alderman Puffer made reply to the unwarranted attacks made upon him Monday night. He said he believed in the project, not for personal but for the public good. The speakers in opposition to the extension were Patrick Dempsey, John H. Coffey, Patrick H. Savage, John J. Harvey, George C. Dempsey, Lawrence Cummings, John Callahan and James H. Carmichael who read several letters objecting to the extension. In favor of the extension appeared Elbridge Dearborn, Michael Rourke, Percy Parker, Michael J. Garvey, Fred Church and John Walsh. E. B. Quinn and Col. Carmichael presented the extension, each presenting his side with brilliancy and force. It was 11 o'clock when the hearing adjourned. At the meeting of both branches on Thursday evening a petition was received asking for a special election on the proposition to extend Dummer street to Market street with the statutes and if so it could not be ignored. It caused another adjournment that the advice of the city solicitor might be obtained."

And they went at it periodically until the present government put it through and now they're at less for a suitable name for it.

## For Old Ladies' Home

Says The Sun of quarter of a century ago:

"An amateur performance was given at the Opera House on Wednesday evening for the Old Ladies' Home. The program opened with a farce entitled 'Carmen 25' in which the players were Miss Minnie A. Cummock, Mrs. V. I. Cummock, Mr. V. I. Cummock and Mr. Thomas Talbot. A comedy entitled 'A Sheep in Wolf's Clothing' was next presented, the participants

being Mrs. Thomas Nesmith, Mrs. G. H. Pillsbury, Miss Isabel Talbot, Miss Bessie Ludlum, Mr. Howard Gray, Mr. Joseph Smith, Mr. Walter Perkins, Mr. Thomas Hart, Dr. E. A. Lowe, Mr. F. A. Whiting. Both pieces were staged under the direction of Hon. Charles D. Palmer.

"On Thursday evening another entertainment was also given for the benefit of the Old Ladies' Home, by an amateur company before a large audience. The first piece presented was entitled 'A Happy Pair.' Mr. Charles H. Hutchinson and Miss Whiting taking the leading parts. The next piece was 'The Palace of Truth,' a fairy-like comedy in three acts. The players were Mrs. C. D. Palmer, Mrs. C. F. Coburn, Mrs. Thomas Nesmith, Mrs. Joseph Nesmith, Miss Mary Robinson, Mr. A. M. Spencer, Mr. C. F. Coburn, Mr. H. C. Raynes, Mr. C. S. Hutchinson, Mr. H. V. Huse, Mr. H. C. Raynes, Jr. Hon. Charles D. Palmer was general manager. The entertainments netted a good sum for the Old Ladies' Home."

## THE OLD TIMER.

Deposit that Christmas money in The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank, Saturday, January 6, is Quarter Day.

Violas, Associate hall tonight.

## SUN BREVITIES

Best Printing, Tobin's, Asso. Bldg.  
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Charles F. Stiles, who for the past ten years has been in the employ of Morse & Beals, has accepted a position with J. J. McManmon in Prescott street.

In the report of the funeral of Mrs. Annie Monahan, published yesterday, the names of Edith Monahan and Mary Rourke were omitted from the list of those who sent spiritual bouquets.

Engine 4 was called to the Barry Shop Co's plant, Stackpole street, at 10 o'clock as a result of the sounding of an automatic alarm, but when the firemen arrived on the scene it was found that there was no blaze.

Arthur Perreault and Z. A. Normandin will leave tomorrow for St. Jean and Montreal, Que., where they will spend a week. Mr. Normandin will attend the wedding of his brother, Eugene, which will take place in St. Jean next week.

The regular weekly business meeting of the Lowell socialist club was held last night at 26 Central street. Routine business was transacted after which a discussion on the propaganda league manifesto was held. At the meeting to be held on January 4 the election of officers will take place.

Among the United States letters patent recently issued, several have been issued to Benjamin Behrmann on shoe uppers and processes of making same. This invention covers a hole in the sole of a shoe upper to provide a pulling over extension which is afterwards trimmed off.

The clerk of the superior court will be at his office in the court house in Graham street Wednesday next at 10 a. m. for the purpose of receiving petitions for naturalization (in form and papers); on Thursday at 10 o'clock for the purpose of receiving applications for first papers and on Friday, if sufficient business is assured, for both first and second papers.

Three children, aged three months, two and four years, alleged to have been deserted by their parents, were sent to the state hospital on the recommendation of the Lowell Humane society yesterday afternoon. The office of the society was notified that the three children were alone in a house in Church street where they had been deserted. Their parents' clothes had been taken away, was said. The children were immediately sent to the state hospital.

## MATRIMONIAL

Arthur J. Cummskley, a well known automobile dealer, and Miss Marion Blanche Gregoire, a prominent young woman of the Highlands, were married last Wednesday afternoon, the ceremony being performed at Notre Dame de Lourdes rectory by the pastor, Rev. Leon Lamothe, O.M.I. The bride wore a blue traveling gown with black picture hat. She was attended by Miss Florence Payton, who wore a Burgundy traveling gown with hat to match. The best man was a brother of the bride, David S. Gregoire. At the close of the ceremony the bridal party motored to Boston, where a wedding dinner was served at the Thorndike hotel. Mr. and Mrs. Cummskley left last evening on an extended wedding trip to New York and Savannah, Ga., and upon their return they will make their home at 175 Princeton street.

Thomas Nelson and Miss Young, Denis were married Wednesday afternoon at St. Joseph's rectory by Rev. Joseph Denis, O.M.I. The bride wore a gray traveling suit and she carried a bouquet of roses. She was attended by Miss Bessie Denis, who was attired in dark green chiffon long-sleeved and long skirt. The best man was William Nelson. At the close of the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, 204 Moody street. The couple left during the evening on an extended wedding trip.

## Hickory-Mulholland

John J. Hickory and Miss Rose A. Mulholland were married Dec. 27 at St. Patrick's rectory. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Timothy F. Callahan. The bride was attired in white satin and she carried a bouquet of pink carnations. The best man was William Mulholland. At the close of the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride and in the evening the couple left on a wedding trip to Boston and New York. After Jan. 16 they will be at home to their friends at 325 Broadway. The bride's gift to the bridesmaid was a sapphire ring, while the groom's gift to the best man was a diamond stickpin.

## GROVERS INDICTED

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 28.—Accused of conspiracy in restraint of trade, nine grocers, all members of the Retail Grocers and Butchers' association, were indicted by the grand jury this afternoon. The indictment specifically charges that the defendants conspired to combine to fix a uniform price for butter.

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## NINTH ANNUAL BANQUET

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der the law. And if our country needs defense of arms, the teachers of St. Patrick's will be found vying with the alumni for place on the firing line. That is the way with Catholics.

## Mayor James E. O'Donnell

A piano and violin duet by William C. McCarthy, 12 and Frank E. Delgano, 28 was greatly enjoyed and then came another assembly number, followed by a brief address by Mayor James E. O'Donnell who spoke on "Our City." The mayor paid a high tribute to the school which, he said, has been a great force for the production of good citizenship in Lowell, and he congratulated the brothers and the committee on the reunion.

Peter E. Kane '17 sang and then Rev. Denis E. Murphy of the class of '92, formerly of St. Michael's church, but now of St. Paul's, Cambridge, spoke on "Education and Character." The ability of Mr. Murphy as a speaker is well known in this city and last evening he was at his best.

After a song by Thomas M. Delmore '10, the closing number was the singing of "America" by all present, and an enjoyable and thoroughly successful evening was brought to a happy close.

## Many Visitors Present

Among those present from out of town were: William Spillane of Detroit; Frank Sullivan, of Washington, D. C.; Frank Mullin, of Cambridge and Michael Hennesey, of Nashua, N. H. and among the Naxorian brothers present were: Rev. Bro. Magnus, Rev. Bro. Benedict, Rev. Bro. de Sales and Rev. Bro. Hiccinth, all of St. Patrick's school; Rev. Bro. Fabian of Somerville, supervisor of the Naxorian schools of New England, and Rev. Bro. Raphael of the Working Boys' home of Newton Highlands.

The officers of the association are: John F. Golden, president; John J. Hanlon, vice president; Edward J. Flannery, secretary; Rev. Brother Osmund, treasurer; executive committee, John J. Flaherty, chairman; Rev. Brother Osmund, superior; William J. Sullivan, Edward J. O'Donnell, Martin P. McCarthy, Michael Giblin, Garrett G. Royal, Edward J. Hines, John P. Miskell, John A. O'Brien, Edward B. Connolly, John J. Giblin, John P. Stapleton, Harold B. Sullivan, John T. Powers, Walter H. Hickey, Michael Kelley, Timothy F. O'Sullivan, William Ambrose, Timothy F. Roban, Joseph L. Cronin, John J. Flannery, Joseph M. Dinneen, William A. Connelly, William J. Madden, Edward F. Quinn, Paul McLaughlin, William J. J. O'Connell, David J. Flaherty.

Those seated at the head table were: Rt. Rev. William O'Brien, D.D., who invoked divine blessing at the opening; Rev. Augustin P. Hickey of Boston, supervisor of parochial schools of the archdiocese who made an informal address during the evening's exercises; Rev. J. J. Kerrigan of St. Patrick's church; James O'Sullivan, Rev. Denis E. Murphy of Cambridge, John J. Flaherty, Dennis A. Murphy, Daniel J. Gallagher of Boston, Rev. William Dacey of Boston, Rev. Brendan Shea of Camden, N. J., Rev. Bro. Osmund.

## FLOUR COMES DOWN

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Beet remains high, and fish is showing the effects of the upward trend of prices, but lamb is reasonable for this season, and flour has fallen to \$10.75 a barrel for some popular brands.

The best eggs are still a luxury, at 55 cents a dozen, and prime butter is 45 cents a pound. Green vegetables are getting higher also as the season advances.

## STEAMERS STRUCK MINES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The British tank steamer Paul Paix which left New York Nov. 25 for Calais, struck a mine off the English coast and was towed into Swansea, Dec. 24, according to a report received today at the state department from Vice Consul Velterton at Swansea. The report also said the French schooner, St. Louis had struck a mine on Dec. 26 and sunk with the loss of three men.

## SOLD FOR \$11,500,000

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 28.—The sale of the plant of the Superior Steel Co., at Carnegie, to a group of New York and Philadelphia bankers has been announced here. The price paid was \$11,500,000, of which \$6,000,000 will be in cash and the balance in stock of the new organization which will be known as the Superior Steel corporation, chartered under the laws of Virginia.

## THE PANAMA CANAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The channel through the treacherous sides of Galliard cut in the Panama canal now is in better condition than ever before. The work of clearing the passage, with hope against hope, of the slide, is far advanced, according to the latest official announcement of its progress.

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## LOWELL BOY ON THE MEXICAN FRONTIER

A letter was received this morning from his son, Sergt. Henri Patenaude, U.S.A., who is now located at Douglas, Ariz., on the Mexican frontier. The young man had not written home for several months and his father was becoming alarmed as to his safety. When last heard from, Sergt. Patenaude was located with the United States army at Naco, Ariz., another frontier town, where the "snipers" gave the United States soldiers considerable trouble.

The sergeant, in his letter received today, states he is enjoying the best



SERG. HENRI PATENAUDE,  
U. S. Army.

of health and says he did not write sooner because he was too busy. He informs his father that there is not much doing on the frontier at present, but he knows what will happen. He is a musician in the 25th U.S.A. infantry and a short time ago his regiment was transferred from Naco to Douglas.

The young musician states the sol-

diers are making preparations for a grand celebration of Christmas and New Year's and he takes occasion to wish a merry Christmas and a happy New Year to all his Lowell friends and relatives. Sergt. Patenaude's last visit to Lowell was two years ago, at which time he re-enlisted in the army for four more years. He states his enlistment will expire in two years, but he has not made up his mind whether or not he will take up a third enlistment. Accompanying his letter were two handsome gifts for his two nephews, as well as a token of remembrance to his father.

## GOOD WINTER WEATHER

While today was by no means the coldest day of the present winter many people felt it quite severe owing to the penetrating winds. The lowest official mark was 18 degrees above zero between 7 and 8 o'clock this morning at the head house, Pawtucket falls. At 6 o'clock it was but nine degrees above zero at the boulevard pumping station. At noon the mercury in Merrimack square registered 20 above.

The cold spell set in yesterday noon when the mercury took a drop and continued to fall until late last night. During the early part of the night the wind started to blow and although it eased up during the early hours of the morning it increased in velocity about 7 o'clock this morning and continued to blow during the day.

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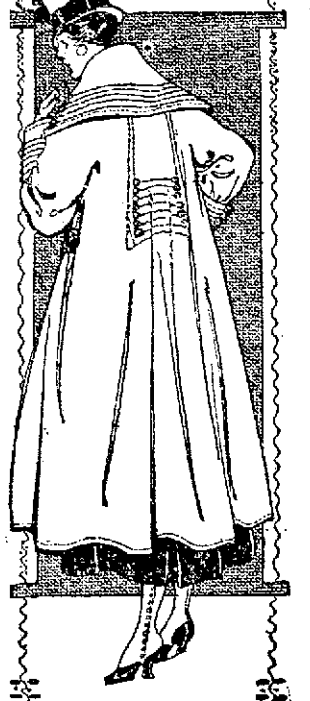
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## SCHOONER ABANDONED AT SEA; CREW SAVED

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—The five-masted schooner Fannie Palmer, last of the vessels built for the once famous Palmer fleet, has been abandoned at sea during a voyage with coal from Newport News for Carthagena, Spain, her captain reported to agents here today. The crew was saved, probably by transfer to a passing steamer and landed at Gibraltar.

The Fannie Palmer, which was sold to Jacob S. Winslow of Portland, Me., recently, was one of the American vessels placed on the British "black list" because of a cargo of coal delivered at Buenos Ayres which it was claimed, reached German consignees. The schooner registered 1725 tons.

## CAPTAIN GIVEN TEN YEARS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 28.—David Caplan, last of the alleged dynamiters brought to trial for the destruction of the Los Angeles Times building, in 1910 when 20 men were killed, was sentenced yesterday to 10 years in San Quentin penitentiary on a charge of manslaughter. The court granted a certificate of probable cause for appeal which will suspend execution of sentence until there is a decision upon Caplan's expected appeal.

## IN BOSTON

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## HELPING THE POOR OF THE CITY

Wonderful Improvements at the Chelmsford Street Hospital

Acute Diseases of Medical and Surgical character Handled There



DR. M. A. TIGHE, City Physician.

A reporter for The Sun visited the Chelmsford street hospital yesterday for the purpose of looking into the institution over and to find out something definite relative to certain improvements and developments along the surgical line, for which the mayor and others had complimented the city physician, Dr. M. A. Tighe. To say that the reporter was very much impressed by what he saw would be putting it mildly.

The average citizen is not aware of what compelling human interest is awakened by a visit to this comparatively little known and little appreciated institution.

The reporter's visit, as heretofore intimated, was provoked by a rumor that certain things of considerable magnitude were being done at this hospital. He went to investigate as to whether the rumor or report was founded on fact.

The average citizen looks upon the Chelmsford street hospital as a place where the old and chronically infirm might go to pass their declining years. It still serves this purpose and serves it well. But the hospital no longer limits its scope. It has set itself with great success to the handling of acute diseases of both a medical and surgical character.

### Surgical Operations

The development of the surgical work has been remarkable. Surgical operations that were never done there before are now being successfully performed and conditions are all that could be desired at any hospital. The Chelmsford Street hospital is as clean as the proverbial new pin and in its charge make it as pleasant and comfortable as possible for the inmates. There are those who are hard to please. There are those who are suffering from sickness, old age and infirmities, there are many happy faces at the Chelmsford Street hospital.

Besides having an intensely humane interest in his work at the hospital, Dr. Tighe is also interested from the

scientific standpoint. He says poverty is no disgrace and believes there is nothing too good for the poor of the city. That is why he determined to develop the surgical side of the hospital business. He argues, too, that if one wants to argue from the mercenary standpoint, the argument will but furnish further proof that the hospital should provide facilities for performing the most delicate and difficult operations. The argument will but furnish further proof that the hospital should provide facilities for performing the most delicate and difficult operations.

As the Sun reporter passed through the wards many interesting cases were pointed out to him. Near a window sat a young woman convalescent from an operation for appendicitis. There a patient sitting up for the first time following the removal of an abdominal tumor, there a child completely recovered from a serious operation on the chest, and there a woman lately operated on for gall stones.

As the reporter passed to the nursery he saw a little deformed mother happy in the possession of her plump and rosy baby which came into the world by means of the difficult and famous caesarian section operation.

### High Pressure Sterilizer

A complete up-to-date, high pressure sterilizer and other surgical equipment have been installed during the last

## ONE KILLED, FOUR COMMISSIONER

### HURT IN WRECK

Engineer Crushed to Death as Locomotives Crash in Dorchester

Passenger Engine Overturned—Fast Freight Locomotive Ditched

BOSTON, Dec. 29. Henry L. Stearns of Ocean Avenue, New London, Ct., for 20 years a freight engineer in the employ of the New Haven railroad, was crushed beneath his own engine and instantly killed late yesterday afternoon and four other trainmen were severely hurt when the freight train which he was driving sideswiped the locomotive of passenger train No. 7075, near the Dorchester station, rolled down a steep embankment and turned over.

William A. Boyle of 2412-2 Broadway, South Boston, engineer of the passenger locomotive, jumped with the crash, sustaining a broken left leg. The fireman, H. L. Friedman, who also jumped, was severely bruised. W. A. Braun of Groton, Ct., fireman of the freight engine, received abrasions of the left arm and leg, while L. L. Sharp of Providence, the forward brakeman, was scalded by escaping steam from a severed hose.

### Carries Daily Load of Fish

The freight train, which is known as the "Flying Fisherman," is the fastest in the service of the New Haven road, and makes a nightly run from Boston to Harlem River, N. Y., loaded with fish.

The local, which runs from the South station to Dorchester, had uncoupled its engine, and the latter had entered its crossing, and the outward express train, preparatory to coupling to the other end of the train for the run back to Boston.

As the locomotive cleared the crossing over the freight engine struck it, a glancing blow, rebounding and rolled down the embankment. Stearns was caught beneath the mass of steel, his head protruding from the wreck. The passenger locomotive was thrown on its side, as was the first car of the freight train.

Immediately news was received of the accident, special cars were being sent from the scene of the wreck and the company's offices in Boston and the work of wrecking was directed from headquarters. Ladder 29 and chemical 12 arrived on the scene a few moments later and extinguished fires that had started in both engines. Meanwhile, Alton Copp, chief conductor of the Dorchester telephone exchange, set a staff of girls at work calling physicians to the wreck. Several responded.

All traffic on the line as far out as Readville was suspended for the entire night, and the bodies of the two men extricated from the wreck at midnight.

The night of all nights, Assa tonight.

## GERMAN SUBMARINE MAIL RATES ANNOUNCED

THE RATES ON DEUTSCHLAND AND SISTER SHIPS RECALL DAYS OF FORTY-NINERS

BERLIN, Dec. 28. via London, Dec. 29.—The merchant submarine Deutschland and her sister ships will carry on future voyages to the United States special mail at rates recalling those of the trans-continental post in the days of the forty-niners. A special rate of two marks for a postcard or letter not exceeding 29 grams in weight will be levied in addition to the regular international postage. A similar charge will be made for each further 29 grams up to a maximum weight of 60 grams. As letters sent by the ordinary post take a month or more to reach their destination, it is expected that the submarine post will be in heavy demand.

and the sterilizing room is being renovated. The reporter's visit was very illuminating and could not but think of what a remarkable advance this institution has made. The credit for this development belongs to Dr. M. A. Tighe, the physician in charge. He has labored early and late to bring it to its present high standard of medical and surgical excellence.

In conversation with Dr. Tighe in his office in Wyman's Exchange, this morning, the reporter who had visited the Chelmsford Street hospital took occasion to congratulate him upon the work at the Chelmsford Street hospital. The doctor, however, declined to accept the whole credit.

### Poor of the City

"One of Mayor O'Donnell's ideals," he said, "has been to have the Chelmsford Street hospital on such a plane of excellence that the poor of the city will find in it a place where they may obtain the best of care and treatment, so that their service to themselves, their families and their city may be rendered as soon as possible. "Whatever degree of success our work has in the past, it is due to the combined efforts of all concerned. Mayor O'Donnell has always been sympathetic. The good men and women at the hospital have always been eager in their co-operation. "To this team-work we must credit whatever good has been accomplished. I have also benefited by the advice and assistance of my colleagues in the medical profession."

Bill for New Graft Finds Its Way to Legislative Hopper

State Boards and Commissions Slow Filing Their Annual Reports

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 29.—Although every state board and commission is required by law to file with the secretary of the commonwealth on or before the first Wednesday in January such parts of its annual report as contain recommendations or suggestions for legislative action, only a few of the more than one hundred boards in the state have thus far communicated with the secretary of state in regard to the matter. These are the trustees of the Foxboro and Norfolk state hospitals, and of the state library.

Of late years there has been an increasing tendency on the part of state boards to ignore this law, and in an effort to correct the evil Secretary Langtry sent to each one of them Dec. 1 a letter calling attention to the law. Up to the present time, however, there has been no indication of activity as a result.

Bills for the consideration of the general court continue to pour into the legislative hopper, however. Today's quota included bills to reorganize the public service and gas and electric light commissions, and to create the office of commissioner of vehicles.

The latter bill, which will be of interest to all motorists, provides that the governor shall appoint a citizen to serve as commissioner of vehicles, at an annual salary of \$5000, and with a three-year term of office. The duties of the highway commission with respect to the registration of motor vehicles, licensing the operators thereof, and general supervision of the electric light companies, and in an effort to correct the evil Secretary Langtry sent to each one of them Dec. 1 a letter calling attention to the law. Up to the present time, however, there has been no indication of activity as a result.

The other bill provides for a new public service commission of seven members to be appointed by the governor. The members of the board shall be designated by the governor as chairman, and another as secretary. The chairman is to be paid \$5000 per year, and each other member \$7500.

There are to be four "sub-boards," each consisting of three members, and each member of the commission, except the secretary, is to serve in two of these sub-boards. One sub-board is to deal with all matters affecting railroads and steamships; another with electric light and water companies, and the fourth with telephone and telegraph companies. The decision of a sub-board is to be final as to all matters coming within its jurisdiction, but on matters of great public importance the chairman of the commission may designate additional members to serve in the term of office.

It is estimated that a saving of nearly \$10,000 in salaries of commissioners alone would be effected by the new bill, and there would be another large saving in rent, as each of the commissions which it is planned to consolidate occupies large and pretentious quarters outside the state house.

The members of the present public service commission are Frederick J. Macleod, chairman; Joseph B. Eastman, John F. Meany, Everett L. Stone and Charles A. Russell. The gas and electric light commission is made up of Vernon R. Wood, chairman; Morris Schaff and Solomon Lewenberg.

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## INCOME TAX LAW

### ELUCIDATED

Joseph E. Perry Explains Many Points of Interest to All Citizens

New Tax Law for Everybody — Tax Office Established Here

A very comprehensive, instructive and interesting talk on the new state income tax law, which goes into effect Jan. 1, 1917, was given last evening in Middlesex hall by Joseph E. Perry of Boston, who will be tax collector for Middlesex county.

The lecture was given under the auspices of the Lowell board of trade and was attended by about 250 men and women. The evening's program was presided over by Robert E. Marden, who introduced J. Henry Gilbride of this city as the deputy collector to be in charge of the Lowell office. Mr. Gilbride stated his office will be on the fourth floor of The Sun building, where return blanks can be secured at any time. He also said it will be his pleasure to explain to Lowell residents any part of the law not understood.

Collector Perry was then introduced and in the course of his address he emphasized the fact that the new law includes every one. He told of the penalties to be imposed upon delinquents who neglect to file their returns by March 1. He said a feature of the new law is that it will reach nearly five billion dollars' worth of property, which heretofore has escaped taxation.

At the close of his address Mr. Perry announced he would answer any question pertaining to the new law and several of those present took advantage of the opportunity to become more familiar with the workings of this new piece of legislation.

### Mr. Perry's Address

Mr. Perry's address, summarized, is as follows: The new law leaves unchanged such parts of our present tax system as the local assessment of real estate and tangible personal property; the taxation of corporations, inheritances, gifts, and the various license and stamp taxes.

In the future, as in the past, shares of stock in Massachusetts corporations, deposits in Massachusetts savings banks, mortgages on real estate taxed in Massachusetts will be exempt from taxation as will be also the income derived from such property.

The new law taxes the income from certain classes of property, the net income from earnings, and the net profits from the purchase and sale of securities. It exempts from further taxation the property from which such net income is derived.

It differs from the federal income tax in that it taxes only income from certain sources and not from all sources, and it has only flat rates instead of progressive rates, which increase with the size of the taxed income. It differs also in the details of its deductions and its administration, but in adopting the calendar year as the taxable period and in the form of returns required and in all other ways, it follows the federal system so far as is possible so as to cause the minimum of additional inconvenience to the taxpayer.

The new law was designed to correct certain evils which have developed in the present system. The rate of taxation is uniform throughout the state, thereby removing the chief incentive, as far as evasion of taxes is concerned, for the wealthy people to colonize in a few favored localities. The new law is to be administered by the state in a centralized manner insuring uniformity of assessment and collection and removing the possibility of misunderstandings between local assessors and wealthy residents which have usually resulted in gross underassessments and inequality of justice. The new rates compare favorably with those of surrounding states and should check the alarming emigration of capital from the state. The new law substitutes just and reasonable taxation in place of previous confiscation. It puts a pre-

mium on honesty instead of deceit. It provides for compulsory returns and backs up that provision by severe penalties and by obtaining information at the source. It abandons April first as the sole test of taxable citizenship and taxability. Instead, the tax is measured by the income received during the calendar year next proceeding, and under the new law every person who is an inhabitant of Massachusetts at any time during the first half of the year.

"Most general interest is attached to the tax of one and one-half per cent on the excess above two thousand dollars of the net income derived from professions, employments, trade and business. The law provides in detail the method by which such net income shall be computed and requires a return to be made by each person whose gross income exceeds two thousand dollars even though by exemptions and deductions the net may be reduced below the taxable limit. For those with dependents the exemption may be as high as three thousand dollars.

"The same rate of tax is applied to income from annuities. "A tax of three per cent is imposed on the profits from the sale of securities with directions for determining the amount of the profit.

"A tax of six per cent is levied on the income from bonds, shares in corporations and partnerships, money at interest and other debts due the taxpayer with exceptions which may be stated broadly by saying that no such income is taxable which is derived from sources which heretofore have been non-taxable, except in the case of partnerships having transferable shares. Under some conditions, a small exemption may be obtained as to income from annuities and as to income taxed at the six per cent rate.

"Partnerships, minors, estates of deceased persons and in general all persons or organizations receiving taxable income are taxable, and all are entitled to the provisions relating to abatements and appeals.

"Chief interest centers in the requirement that returns must be made within the first two months of the year—i. e., on or before March first. In case of persons becoming inhabitants after March first, or by reason of absence, etc., being unable to make the return, other provisions apply.

Returns may be made at the state house or to the income tax assessor or deputies in the district where the inhabitant lives. The division into districts, the names and office addresses of the assessors and deputies will be announced later. Blanks for the returns will be available later on application to the tax commissioner or any of his deputies.

Returns as to real estate and tangible personal property should be made to the assessors of each city or town as heretofore, and if a taxpayer fails to make such returns, he will be obliged, in addition to his state tax, to pay

locally not less than he paid last year. "Tax bills will be sent out and the tax payable October 15, 1917. The proceeds will be distributed back to the various cities and towns and the latter are guaranteed to suffer no loss of revenue.

"The new tax is expected to reach nearly five billions of property which heretofore escaped taxation, to produce more revenue, and to be administered at a cost of less than one per cent of the revenue produced.

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